The Weather
Today—Rain or snow and colder. Yesterday—High, 60; low, 53.
Fuel-oil consumption to date, 70 per cent of yearly allotment.

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1500 U. S. Planes Still Pounding Tokyo

George Bill Passed to Clear Way for Wallace's Approval

House Votes, 399 to 2, To Cut Away Loan Powers

Landslide Comes After Recommittal Move Fails by Narrow Margin

By Robert C. Albright

The House yesterday cleared the way for Senate confirmation of Henry A. Wallace as Secretary of Commerce by overwhelming passage of the Senate's George compromise, cropping him of Federal loan powers.

The vote was 399 to 2. A few minutes earlier, Wallace survived his closest call yet in the House. By a margin of only eight votes the House refused to bottle up the compromise in the Banking Committee.

Feather-edge defeat of the motion to recommit the George bill ended the contest so far as the House was concerned. On this turnstile vote the anti-Wallace coalition mustered everything they had. They lost 196 to 204.

Friends and foes alike then joined in the move to pass the bill divorcing Federal loan functions from the Commerce Department. The President already has agreed to sign it. After the bill becomes law the Senate will call up the Wallace nomination on March 1, and beyond a doubt confirm him.

Almost Prevent Consideration

It was because many of the Republicans and bitter-end Democrats opposed to Wallace believed the Senate would reject him if the George bill was hung up that they staked all on the motion to recommit.

Wallace foes had come within 10 votes of refusing even to consider the bill on Thursday. Overnight they had worked liked beavers to bring back every absentee anti-Wallace Republican and swing over every doubtful Democrat.

But the vote showed Administration forces had been active as well and with better results. Ten Democratic absentees were brought back to counteract anti-Wallace recruits from the South, and some who opposed the rule on the George bill switched over on the showdown.

Sharp Rap to Coalition

The result was a narrow Administration victory, but the sharpest rap yet dealt the coalition of Republicans and Democrats which had things pretty much their own way in the last Congress and opened this one in marginal control.

Here is how the two parties divided on the crucial count:

For sending the bill back to committee: Republicans, 174; Democrats, 22. Against recommital: Democrats, 200; Republicans, 2; Progressive Party, 1; American Labor Party, 1.

Republican lines had held firm on Thursday's test, but yesterday Representatives James G. Fulton of Pennsylvania and Richard J. Welch

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Farley Appointed Temporary Page To Visit House Floor

James A. Farley, former Postmaster General, received a temporary appointment yesterday as a House page boy.

The genial former Cabinet officer, who made innumerable friends on Capitol Hill, was stopped at the House door yesterday as Senator Albert B. Chandler (D., Ky.) sought to take him on the floor to visit with old cronies.

A doorkeeper told the Senator that "former Cabinet officer or no Cabinet officer, there's nothing in the rules about his having the privilege of the floor."

Representative Robert L. Doughton (D., N. C.) came to the rescue and whisked Senator, ex-Cabinet member right on the floor.

Speaker Sam Raymurn (D., Tex.) came down from the rostrum, heard about the situation, and neatly solved the whole problem by giving Farley a temporary page boy's appointment.

70,000 Germans Die In Dresden Raids

Stockholm, Feb. 16 (AP).—The German-controlled Scandinavian Telegraph Bureau said today that 70,000 persons had been killed in this week's Allied bombings of Dresden.

New Plan for 4-Fs

Go Back or Take War Work At GI Pay, Job-Jumpers Told

By Mary Spargo

The Army, with thousands of physically unfit job-jumpers inducted within the last three months under its "work-or-fight" policy, yesterday announced a new plan to let inductees in this group take their choice of volunteering for war jobs or going to work in Government-owned plants in uniform at GI pay.

Meanwhile it was learned that President Roosevelt is expected to make a new appeal to Congress for speedy passage of the May-Bailey work-or-jail bill for men 18 to 45, Capitol Hill sources reported.

Under the plan announced yesterday by the Army, the job-jumpers who are not physically qualified—and the majority fall into this class—will be given four weeks basic military training at Camp Ellis, Ill., an Army Service Force training center near Peoria.

After the basic training, men will be given an opportunity to volunteer for essential work in private plants or elsewhere. Those who are placed in jobs will be put on inactive status in the enlisted reserve.

Since they will be in the enlisted reserve, the Army will have a club with which to keep them in the jobs for which they volunteer.

Those who refuse to volunteer, but possess skills needed in war plants may be put in Government-owned plants to work.

If they don't have any needed skills—and that is unlikely since they must have jumped a war job to have been inducted in the first place—those who refuse to volunteer will be assigned to Army installations. Some Army authorities indicted their jobs would probably fall into the category of the latrine detail.

The War Department said the training course at Camp Ellis has been designed to take into account the physical limitations of the trainees. They will be given what the War Department describes as "a thorough indoctrination" in military courtesy and discipline and instruction in rifle marksmanship.

The work-or-be-inducted order was issued by War Mobilizer Director James F. Byrnes and so far has covered only men under 39 who quit war jobs.

The War Department, under this order, has set a quota of a certain number of men who would be accepted for induction virtually without any physical standards.

Interior Seeks REA Control, Senator Says

New Factor Injected Into Struggle Over Williams Nomination

By the Associated Press

A Senator active in the Aubrey Williams dispute said today he had heard the Interior Department "is fishing around" to get control of the Rural Electrification Administration if the Agriculture Department loses it.

Asking not to be quoted by name, this Senator said his information came from a high Government official.

His statement injected a new factor in a struggle involving the questions of Williams' confirmation as head of the REA and the future of the agency.

Removal Is Sought

A group within the Senate Agriculture Committee, which is considering the nomination, is seeking to get action first on a proposal to take the REA from Agriculture. A bill to this end by Senators Shipstead (R., Minn.), Wheeler (D., Mont.) and Aiken (R., Vt.) would reestablish the REA as an independent agency.

Senator Bankhead (D., Ala.), who once said he would support Williams "because he is from Alabama," has written him a letter, it was learned today, advising that he will not give him his vote.

Bases Change on Article

Bankhead also wrote Chairman Thomas (D., Okla.) of the Senate Agriculture Committee to tell him of his change in sentiment. The Alabaman based his decision principally, he said, on a column Williams wrote for a National Farmers Union publication attacking what he called the "Republican-Southern tory" Congress faction.

"I do not see," Bankhead wrote Thomas, "How Mr. Williams could

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6 Area Men Die in Action, 11 Wounded

Two Others Missing; Second Casualty Hits Manassas Family

District of Columbia men killed in action, reported through February 16. Army, 547; Navy, 120; Marines, 60; Coast Guard, 5. Total, 732. American casualties since the start of war, for all branches of service, 782,180.

Pfc. Willie T. Crouch, of Manassas, Va., became the second war casualty in his family, as his death in action in France was revealed yesterday in a War Department release which also listed the names of five other Washington area dead.

In addition, two more Washington men are missing and 11 have been wounded.

KILLED:

First Lieut. Philip N. Buddington, son of Mrs. Arthur Buddington, of University La., College Park, Md.

Sergt. Ernest E. Welch, whose wife, Evelyn, lives at 2408 Valley Way, Cheverly, Md.

Pfc. Willie T. Crouch, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Crouch of Manassas, Va.

Pfc. Francis L. Burch, 39, whose

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Post Honor Roll Contains 222 Names, 7 Gold Stars

Dedicated to the employes of The Washington Post in service, an honor roll plaque with 222 names, 7 of them with gold stars, was put up in the lobby of The Post Building yesterday.

The gold stars are for William R. Beall, George Becker, Robert Case, Edward T. Lannon, Arthur Fleet, Bruce Sunshine and Charles M. Johnson, all of whom have died while in service.

Blow at Street Pickups

Teen-Age 'Wolf' Patrol Girls To Face Arrest in Baltimore

Baltimore, Feb. 16 (AP).—A campaign by policewomen and plainclothesmen to stop the "disgraceful antics" of teen-age girls who pick up soldiers and sailors was announced today by Police Commissioner Hamilton R. Atkinson.

The commissioner said the policewomen and plainclothesmen would patrol certain Baltimore streets at night and take into custody any teen-age girls seen with servicemen other than their husbands, brothers or other relatives.

Police will communicate with the girls' parents, if possible, Atkinson said, and ask for an explanation. If parents fail to cooperate in keeping the girls off the street, they will be summoned to Juvenile Court to answer a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor, he continued.

Girls who have no homes or families here probably will be placed in some institution, Atkinson added.

Policewomen are being assigned to the job, the commissioner explained, because he believes the servicemen accompanying the girls would be less likely to cause difficulty. However, the plainclothes officers will stay close at hand in case their services are necessary.

Atkinson made his announcement regarding the attempt to break up teen-age pickups after an inspection tour along Baltimore st., particularly from the Fallsway to Fremont ave.

In one instance, he related, two young girls about 12 or 13 were seen in a street doorway with two servicemen. Their actions, Atkinson said, would "arouse anyone to disgust that girls of such a tender age should be allowed to parade the street."

He commented that it was not a case of servicemen flirting with the girls, but that usually the girls took the initiative.

Reinforced Nazis Stop Goch Drive

Forced Eastward, Canadians Gain Nearly Mile on Route to Ruhr

Paris, Feb. 16 (AP).—The weight of the Canadian First Army assault shifted eastward today and gained nearly a mile on the route to the Ruhr Valley as a reinforced line of Germans had massed artillery stopped cold a southward drive on the pivotal road hub of Goch.

Scottish infantry battled south of the village of Moyland within 2 miles of the communications center of Calcar and 17 miles from Wesel at the gateway to the industrial Ruhr Valley, and were approaching bitterly-defended wooded heights commanding Calcar.

The Germans, now reinforced by elements of at least eight divisions—pinned the Canadian and British advance on Goch along the Niers River with a terrific concentration of artillery fire. Advanced elements last were reported 2½ miles from Goch.

Counterattack Fiercely

The enemy threw in repeated counterattacks in the fiercest resistance since the offensive began nine day sago, and a front dispatch said the lines before the town had hardly moved in 24 hours.

The U. S. Third Army on the only other active sector of the Western Front won a tactical victory in the Eifel Mountains by seizing heights overlooking the Pruem and Enz Rivers, which protect the south flank of Bitburg, 8 miles to the north.

Bitburg, with its eight highways and one railway, looms more important in the German defense of the Westwall on this front since the Americans captured the traffic center of Pruem, 16 miles to the north.

Seize Nazi Airfield

In the advance the Americans captured a German airfield half a mile northwest of the fortified village of Ferschweiler, and found four burned-out planes on the ground.

Between the Third and the Canadian Armies, the enemy stepped up artillery fire on the flooded Roer, which for the moment is keeping idle the U. S. First, Ninth and British Second Armies, poised for a smash toward the Rhineland.

First Army patrols crossing the Roer Thursday night ran into machine-gun fire, mines and barbed wire entanglements. It was disclosed for the first time that the Germans had mined the river.

The Alsatian front was quiet.

The German communique said a British attempt to land on Schouwen, a Dutch island at the mouth

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Reds Battle Into Edge Of Breslau

Decisive Fight For City Started, Germans Report; Crossen Taken

London, Feb. 16 (AP).—Russian troops fought their way into the edge of Breslau today, completely encircling that big Silesian capital on the upper Oder River, and Berlin announced that other Soviet forces had toppled the central Oder stronghold of Crossen, 63 miles southeast of the Reich capital.

A late Berlin broadcast said that "the decisive battle" for Breslau, biggest German city yet within the grasp of any Allied army, now had begun with Soviet artillery pumping shells into the city from all sides. Breslau had a 1942 population of 630,000.

The Russians were officially only 4 miles from the heart of Breslau, a sprawling industrial city on the east and west banks of the Oder, and broke into the edge of the city with the seizure of Drachenbrunn, adjoining Bischofswalde Forest and the Zoological Gardens on the southeastern side of the city east of the Oder.

Konev Nears Spree River

Soviet Front dispatches also said that Marshal Ivan S. Konev's whirlwind drive toward Cottbus, big rail center 47 miles southeast of Berlin, had reached to within sight of the Spree River, last natural defense line guarding the Reich capital on the southeast. Cottbus, its rail yards shattered by Thursday's American air attacks, is on the Spree.

The Soviet communique did not mention this sector, where Berlin also told of heavy fighting in the forest area, 12 miles east of Cottbus, nor did the Russians confirm the German announcement that Crossen had fallen.

But the Russian bulletin announced the capture of Rusdorf, 1½ miles southeast of Crossen, and Deutsch Sagar, 2½ miles south of the strategic town at the confluence of the Bober and Oder rivers.

Red Armies Join "Flanks"

Crossen is only 20 miles southeast of Fuerstenberg, one of Berlin's eastern fortresses under siege by Marshal Gregory K. Zhukov's First White Russian Army. With the capture of Lothenburg, on the southern side of the winding Oder 13 miles east of Crossen, the two Soviet armies now had joined their flanks solidly for the assault toward Berlin.

Konev's northern wing reached the east bank of the Bober River south of its confluence with the Oder at Deutsch Sagar and at Weissig, 13 miles south of Crossen. They were threatening the west

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Fire in the Enemy's Heart

IT SEARS—The shadowed area over Tokyo and Yokohama and their environs is the approximate territory over which American pilots yesterday reported a pall of smoke rising 7000 feet from flames set in the great American aerial strike at the heart of Japan—one of the world's most crowded centers where 7 million Japanese live

Iwo Jima Jitters

Come Out, Wherever You Are, Is Navy's Taunt to Jap Fleet

Smoke Column Rises 7000 Feet Over Tokyo Area

Capital Views Carrier Raid as 'Curtain-Raiser'

By the Associated Press

Guam (Saturday), Feb. 17 (AP).—Smoke rose 7000 feet in the air from panic-stricken Tokyo to Yokohama as Navy carrier planes raided the Japanese capital area, an eyewitness reported here today.

The eye and ear witness account, which disclosed that scores of enemy planes were caught on the ground, was given by Lieut. (jg) David C. McMillin of San Francisco. He was the Navy observer in a Twenty-first Bomber Command B-29 Superfortress which was over the target for reconnaissance while the raid was under way.

McMillin and Army Lieut. John G. Garvin of Las Vegas, Nev., pilot of the B-29, observed the raid both visually through breaks in clouds and by listening in on radio conversations between the carrier planes.

No Hit-Run Affair

McMillin said the raid was no hit-run affair.

Smoke rose densely along "flak alley"—the strip from Tokyo to beyond Yokohama—Garvin and his B-29 crew reported.

They declared the attack was "one continuous pounding" of the enemy.

Their report filled in what radio listeners here had heard.

The grounded Japanese airmen were surprised and their planes destroyed before they could get them into the air at dozens of fields

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The third phase of the day's air assault was performed by the U. S. Fifteenth Air Force's bombers flying from Italy.

Eighth Air Force smashes at Dresden and Chemnitz on the Eastern Front in the last three days have been particularly effective and there were reports that these two cities in the path of the Red army had been nearly wiped off the map.

Today's targets for the Eighth Air Force included benzol plants at Dortmund and Gelsenkirchen in the Ruhr and refineries at Dortmund and Salzbergen.

Bombers of the Fifteenth Air Force in Italy struck an airdrome near Regensburg in southern Germany and railyards east of Innsbruck in Austria and Rosenheim. 35 miles southeast of Munich, and Bolzano on the Brenner Pass line in the Italian Tyrol.

Activity by Allied tactical planes

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1800 Americans Aboard

Survivor Believes Only 5 Saved As Sub Sank Jap Prison Ship

Appleton, Wis., Feb. 16 (AP).—Army Sergt. Avery E. Wilber, 32, of Navarino, Wis., said here today that a Japanese transport crammed with 1800 American prisoners of war, was sunk by a submarine October 24, 1944, and that as far as he was able to learn, he and four others were the only survivors.

Relating his experiences in an interview, Sergeant Wilber told how the ship left the Philippines October 11 and 13 days later was struck by a torpedo in the China Sea.

"We were jammed into two holds, with 1200 in the one in which I was placed. The ship was cut in two by the explosion. I ran up and walked right off the deck into the water. I had on a life jacket and I managed to stay afloat until I got on a lifeboat on which was one man. Three others later got on it with us and we floated for three days before we reached shore."

(At Washington, the War Department emphasized that it has received no confirmation from the Japanese but has asked for the names of the prisoners who might have been aboard such a vessel.

("No response has been received up to this time," a Department statement said.

(The sinking would be the second involving Japanese prison ships carrying Allied prisoners. Last September 7 a ship carrying approximately 750 prisoners was torpedoes off Mindanao in the Philippines. There were only 83 survivors.)

Wilber's companions on the 25-mile trip to land, under the guns of the Japanese navy and air force, were Robert F. Overbeck, a civil engineer from Baltimore (now a lieutenant in the Army), Master Sergt. Calvin R. Graef of Silver City, N. Mex.; Corpl. Anton E. Cichi of New York Mills, Minn., and Corpl. Don E. Meyer of Wilmington, Calif., Wilber declared.

Left During Al Raid

"The 1800 Americans were collected from prison camps all over Luzon when it became apparent that United States forces were returning," Avery continued. "A few British and Dutch prisoners also were aboard.

"We were so crowded in the holds we had to take turns to lie down. We left the Philippines October 11 while an American air raid was in progress. After skulking about the islands for some time, the transport ventured out into the China Sea, bound, we were told, for Japan.

"When the torpedo struck, guards ignored us and hundreds of us Americans got into the water but Japs wouldn't let us get in their lifeboats. They beat us off with clubs.

"A Jap destroyer picked up Japanese survivors and ignored us.

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Behind the Westwall

1700 Allied Heavy Bombers Hit Oil Refineries and Rail Yards

London, Feb. 16 (AP).—The Allies aimed a three-pronged aerial assault by perhaps 1700 heavy bombers at Germany today, shifting the main weight of their attack from the Eastern to the Western Front as the record nonstop bombardment went through its third day.

Uncontested by the Luftwaffe, a U. S. Eighth Air Force fleet of 1000 Fortresses and Liberators and 200 Mustang fighters spread 3000 tons of explosives on two natural oil refineries, two benzol plants and railyards at Hamm, Osnabrueck and Rheine.

Shortly after this American attack from British bases, more than 200 RAF Lancasters bombed the town of Wesel on the east bank of the Rhine about 20 miles southeast of Kleve, striking at one of the foremost German communications center supporting the enemy's resistance to the Canadian First Army's offensive.

Damaging Blow Dealt By Great Air Armada

Iwo Jima Shelling Also Continuing; Diversion Move for Landing, Japs Say

BULLETIN

U. S. Pacific Fleet Headquarters, Guam, Saturday, Feb. 17. (AP)—Admiral Chester W. Nimitz announced today American carrier planes were still attacking the Tokyo area, and that observation had shown substantial damage.

Iwo Jima, 750 miles south of Tokyo, received severe damage from bombarding American warships, despite bad weather, the Admiral announced.

The bombardment of Iwo "is continuing," he reported.

Guam (Saturday), Feb. 17 (AP).—Billowing smoke 7000 feet above the Tokyo-Yokohama area today testified to the terrific power of the raid against one of Japan's prime industrial sections by the U. S. Navy, which massed the greatest power in history for this blow in revenge for Pearl Harbor.

The attack, announced Thursday night by Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, pounded Japan for many hours Friday (Tokyo time). The operation included the surface shelling of Iwo Jima in the Volcano Islands, 750 miles south of Tokyo.

Continuation of the aerial assault into today was expected by Tokyo, whose radio broadcasters immediately labeled it a diversion for an imminent amphibious invasion of Iwo Jima.

Hit by 1500 Planes

This heaviest aerial blow of the war against Japan, made by at least 1500 planes, was struck by the mamoth carrier task force commanded by Vice Admiral Marc A. Mitscher.

Protecting the carriers and subjecting Iwo to a terrific bombardment was Admiral Raymond A. Spruances' Fifth Fleet.

The tremendous armada—ruler of the Pacific—was strung out for 200 miles in waters almost within the shadow of Japan. There it challenged the Japanese fleet, which slunk into retirement following its stinging defeat last October in the battle for Leyte Gulf at the

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Yank Forces Retake Bataan In Bold Stroke

Manila (Saturday), Feb. 17 (AP).—Bataan has been captured by the Yanks—accomplishing in a little over two weeks what it took Japan more than three months to do in 1942.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced today the regaining of the peninsula where hundreds of Americans died near the war's outset before forced by lack of arms and food to capitulate, April 9, 1942.

The master stroke was an amphibious swing southward by the Eleventh Army Corps from Olongapo Naval Base on Subic Bay around to Mariveles, the south tip of Bataan, protected by guns of the U. S. Seventh Fleet and planes of the Far East Air Force.

Harbor Cleared of Mines

Maj. Gen. Charles P. Hall's Eleventh Corpsmen landed at Mariveles Thursday morning. Preceding the landing, the harbor was cleared of mines "in a daring and skillful operation," today's communique said.

The American battle for Bataan's recapture opened January 29 with Yank landings on the Sambales Province coast in a push toward Olongapo.

From Mariveles, big land guns

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Martial Law Ordered Throughout Reich

Killed

McCENEY BURCH

Wounded

BLEVINS BARR

TREXLER SHEDLOCK

Missing

RUMPF KRAFT

Russians Reiterate Nazis Moved Capital To Bavarian City

London, Feb. 16 (AP).—Adolph Hitler and Heinrich Himmler imposed martial law upon virtually all Germany and poised the executioner's ax today with a decree establishing courts martial to "handle ruthlessly" anyone who shirks the Nazi death struggle.

The "courts of summary justice" will be set up immediately in all invasion-threatened areas of the Reich, with power to deal the death sentence to anyone who attempts, "especially through cowardice or selfishness," to evade his duties.

The decree, broadcast by the German radio, meant that even 'n deepest Bavaria a German could be sentenced to death for selfishness in refusing shelter to a refugee from an overrun province or for "damaging the Reich" by uttering or repeating a rumor.

Residing judges will be "assisted" by political leaders or section leaders of the Nazi party and by officers of the army, the SS elite guard or the police.

Before the summary courts will be brought all persons charged with "crimes by which German fighting strength or fighting determination are endangered." This could cover almost any direliction in the invasion-torn Reich.

Defendants before the special courts either will be given the death penalty or win acquittal—nothing in between. Execution of the death sentence will be so swift that even the prosecutor may fix the time, place and method in certain cases.

[Moscow reiterated its report that Nuernberg in Bavaria was the new capital of Germany, with a 30-mile zone around the former Nazi party congress city barred to refugees.]

While the German high command said resistance was stiffening against the Russian offensive, reports pictured a worsening situation within the Reich.

The Moscow radio said Dresden was being evacuated of its industries and businesses and that refugees were pouring into and out of the heavily-bombed city. The German radio said Dresden had been "rubbleized" by the bombings.

CASUALTY

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wife, Alice, lives at 1910 17th st. se.

Pvt. Paul E. Lathrop, 24, whose sister, Mrs. William Rankin, lives at 7412 8th st. nw.

Pvt. Donald V. McCeney, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor McCeney, 305 V st. ne.

MISSING:

Second Lieut. Harold Dean Krafft, jr., 22, son of Lieut. Col. and Mrs. H. D. Krafft, 4900 Loughborough rd. nw.

Yeoman Second Class George Albert Rumpf, 23, son of Mrs. Henry Russell Rumpf of Beltsville, Md.

WOUNDED:

Second Lieut. Sidney Weinberger, 21, whose wife, Patricia, lives at 1723 3d st. ne.

Sergt. Edward H. Blevins, 23, whose wife, Virginia, lives at 1211 Trinidad ave. ne.

T/5 Grade Nathan Schneider, 27, whose wife, Mrs. Rosalie F. Schneider of 423 Ingraham st. nw., is visiting his parents in Memphis, Tenn.

CROUCH *Killed* R. PARKER *Wounded*

Pfc. David G. Barr, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Barr, 810 Whittier pl. nw.

Pfc. Rene G. Parker, 21, son of Mrs. Margaret G. Parker, 1821 Summit pl. nw.

Pfc. Elturino L. Loiacono, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anastasio Loiacono, 24 Seaton pl. ne.

Pfc. Raymond Weiss, 28, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Weiss, 813 6th st. nw.

Pfc. Benjamin W. Trexler, 25, whose wife lives at 8 Maryland ave., Parkland, Md.

Pfc. James E. Parker, 23, husband of Mrs. Dorothy L. Parker, 6122 Bass st., Capitol Heights, Md.

Pvt. Charles P. Eiselstein, 21, whose wife, Margaret, lives at 3202 [illegible]th st. ne.

Pvt. Edwin A. Shedlock, 31, whose wife, Mrs. Margaret T. Shedlock, lives at 1306 Saratoga ave. ne.

FLEET

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of the seas out of such a meeting, he said, and get it "as quickly as it would take to sink them." The Navy at all times has a pretty good idea where Japanese sea strength is to be found, he said.

The Navy official would not be drawn out in specific speculation, but there was no discounting the fact that Iwo Jima has been under almost daily bomb or shell assault for 68 days. The island is comparatively small but strategically located, about half-way between present American strongholds in the Marianas and the main Japanese island of Honshu.

He pointed out that carrier-based bombers such as went after Tokyo can do tremendous damage in thickly concentrated Japanese industrial areas. It was emphasized that they work at much lower levels than big land-based bombers and can be more selective as to targets.

Meanwhile, the House of Representatives voted unanimously to cable congratulations to Admiral Chester W. Nimitz on the Tokyo operation.

Police Probe Mystery Blaze In Chevy Chase

Montgomery police last night were investigating a fire which damaged a three-room real esate office at Oak Lane and Leland st., Chevy Chase, Md., earlier in the day following threats of neighbors that the only way to get rid of the place was "to burn it down."

The fire crushed the hopes of the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Cooperative Nursery School whose members appeared Thursday night before the Board of Zoning Appeals to obtain a permit to use the place for pre-school children. Heated protests from neighbors in the Leland st.-Oak Lane district for such a school led the owner, M. P. McDermott, 203 Elm st., Chevy Chase, to state to The Post last night that "I am sure the fire was set."

Charges that the office, unoccupied for eight years, was a trap for juvenile delinquency were made by neighbors at the hearing. McDermott said several weeks ago he received a phone call from a neighbor asking him to get rid of the place.

At the hearing McDermott related the conversation adding that there was too much lumber and valuable material in the building to destroy it. He asked: "What can I do?" Voices were heard to mumble "There's one way to get rid of it and that's burn it down," according to the nursery school members.

If the zoning board of appeals grants the permit, the school is ready to sign a lease which it now has in its hands. The school with an enrollment of 35 children has been operating under difficulty since it vacated the Rosemary Street Elementary School, January 30 because another first grade was added. Moving to the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Recreation Center it could accommodate but 25 children because of lack of space.

Plans to improve the real estate office at a cost of $600 by the school were made. The lease calls for occupancy for the duration plus six months.

Meanwhile, Deputy Chief Donald Reid of the Chevy Chase Fire Department which extinguished the blaze, said if police did not find a clew to the fire, an arson expert probably will be called in to investigate.

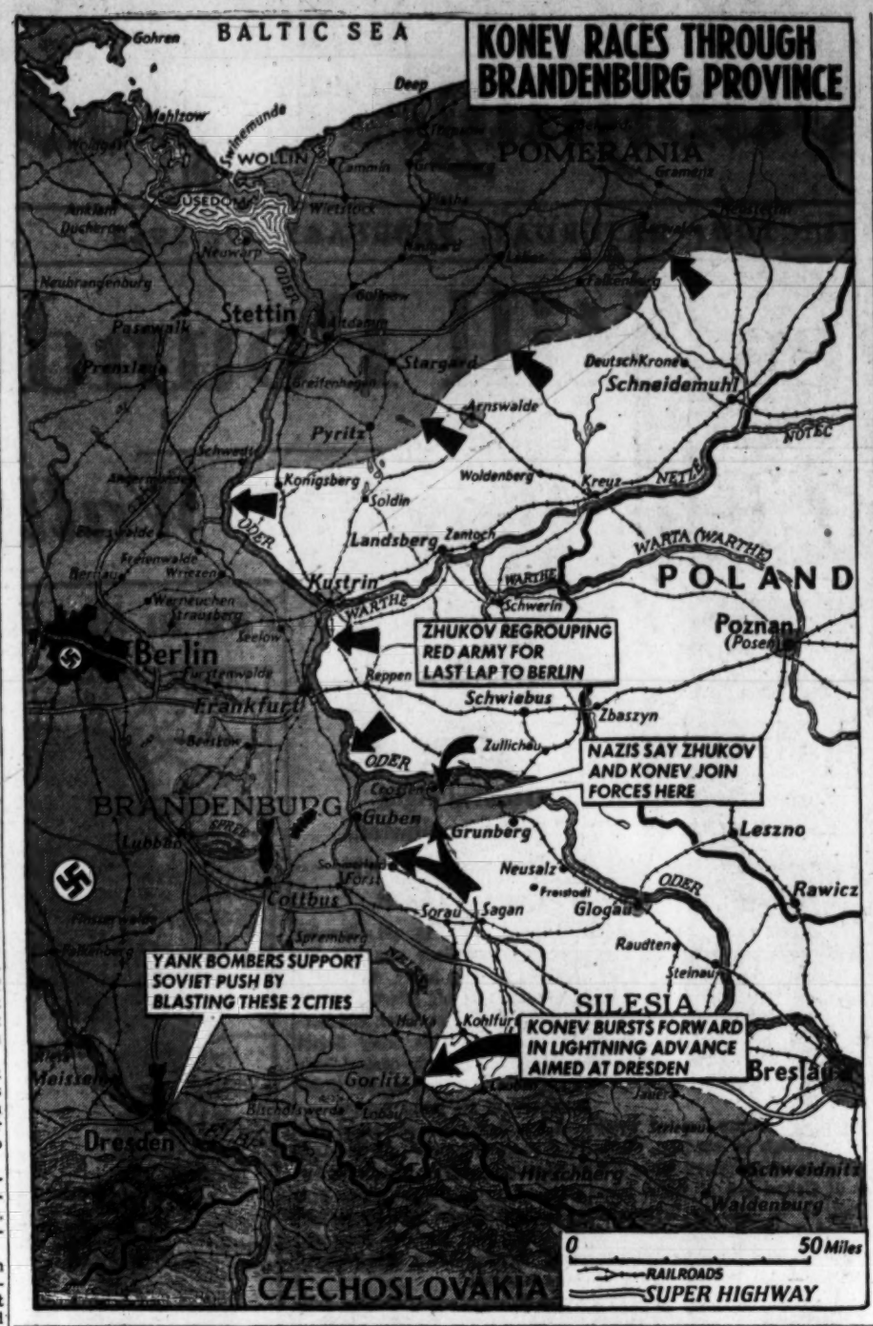
Wife Seeks Divorce From George H. Earle

Norristown, Pa., Feb. 16 (AP).—Mrs. George H. Earle, wife of the former Democratic Governor of Pennsylvania, today filed suit for divorce charging her husband with desertion, prothonotary records revealed.

She contended in her petition that Earl—now a commander in the Navy—absented himself without cause since January 28, 1942. He returned to Washington yesterday from Ankara, Turkey, where he has been serving as assistant naval and air attache to the United States Embassy. The couple has four sons.

Both Wear Well

Gloucester, Mass., (U.P.).—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in a house which once stood in Boston, but which was moved 30 miles to Gloucester aboard a lighter some years ago.



WAR

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of the Rhine from which it is believed rockets are being launched against England, had been repulsed Wednesday night.

A Berlin broadcast said that three Allied landing vessels had been damaged and two assault waves were repulsed. There was no Allied confirmation.

Gen. H. D. G. Crerar was committing more of his Canadian tanks into the mounting battle between the Rhine and the Maas River at the western frontiers of Germany, where the Germans massed 300 big guns to resist the advance.

On the north flank, where Canadian troops hold 20 miles of the left or south bank of the Rhine, the advance edged on northeast of the ferry port of Hurendeich, opposite the German town of Emmerich.

Huisberden Captured

Just to the south, other forces pushing three and a half miles east of Kleve captured Huisberden, about three miles from the Rhine where it loops southeastward.

A few miles to the south, where British and Canadians battled more than half a mile east of Kleve state forest, the Germans threw in incessant counterattacks that expired on the bayonets and flame throwers of infantry standing firm in its lines.

Southeast of the forest, the British were scaling heights on the road to Udeum, 4 miles east of Goch, through which the enemy is feeding fresh troops into the battered lines.

It was the Fifth Infantry Division which occupied ground overlooking the Pruem and Enz Rivers in gains of a quarter of a mile along a 5-mile front.

The Seventy-sixth Division in this same Sure River bridgehead gained a half mile along the river a mile and a quarter east of Echternach.

The Third Army announced that since it went into action in France it had knocked out 1988 German tanks, including 718 Tigers, while losing 1044 tanks and tank destroyers.

ICC Defers Hearing On Branch Line Sale

The Interstate Commerce Commission has granted a postponement from February 15 to March 1 in the hearings on the proposed sale of a branch line of the Southern Railroad, running from Alexandria to Purcellville, Va., to the Washington & Old Dominion Railroad.

Mrs. Nellie O. Fletcher of Leesburg, Va., is appearing as an intervener in the proposed sale.

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bank stronghold of Bobersberg with the seizure of the intermediate village of Kossar, 3 miles east of Bobersberg.

After flying over the rain-soaked battlefields of Brandenburg in an observation plane, the Soviet newspaper Red Star's correspondent, Maj. M. Novigatsky, reported that Russian tanks had crossed a small river within sight of the Spree.

Coastal Points Are Aim

From his guarded description it was apparent that the Russians had crossed the Neisse River in force and were striking toward Beeskow and Cottbus, both Spree River fortresses, 26 and 27 miles from Berlin. These two communication centers control the routes to Berlin on both sides of the lake country which extends into the suburbs of Berlin.

Berlin admitted that the Russians had crossed the Neisse River north of Forst, which is only 12 miles east of menaced Cottbus, objective of a heavy saturation attack Thursday by American bombers aiding the Red army offensive.

Moscow radio repeated a report that the Nazi government had fled to Nuernberg, Nazi convention city 227 miles southwest of Berlin.

A Red air force reconnaissance pilot who flew over Berlin said that the bomb-burned Nazi capital was "one vast traffic jam—I've never seen anything like it."

This report indicated a mass evacuation of noncombat Berliners and refugees which had flowed into the city ahead of the advancing Russians.

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outset of the invasion of the Philippines.

First eye and ear witness account of this aerial blasting which launches the air and naval blockade of Japan was brought to Guam by mebers of a B-29 crew which scouted the area today. Navy headquarters here has had no word to announce since Thursday night's communique, as Spruance cloaked his operations in radio silence.

Scores of Planes Caught

Scores of Japanese planes were caught by surprise on the dozens of airfields in the target area, said Navy Lieut. David C. McMillin of San Francisco and Army Lieut. John G. Garvin of Las Vegas, Nev. They observed the raid through breaks in the clouds.

The vivid reports of the pilots, heard far above the target area by the cruising B-29 crew, told of destroying many Nipponese planes on the ground and of shooting others out of the skies.

At the outset of the raid, which was launched about dawn Friday, the Tokyo radio announcer was heard to scream. A Japanese language broadcast ceased abruptly. The announcer returned to the air for a few quick words, then all was silence. He returned at intervals for brief announcements. Continuous broadcasting, however, was not resumed until more than nine hours after the carried-borne typhoon had hit Japan.

B-29s Struck First

B-29s flying from their bases in the Marianas Islands coordinated an attack with the slashing assault by the Navy. They struck ahead, during and after the carrier planes smacked the enemy to fulfill what Nimitz termed "the deeply cherished desire of every officer and man" in the fleet.

The Superforts harassed the jittery enemy in the air and blasted him aground. They cruised protectively over the seaways between the Marianas and Japan, spotting enemy convoys and disclosing any countermoves which might have been contemplated.

Tokyo radio buzzed with broadcasts varying from speculation on a second-day return of the American carrier planes to hints of fears of an invasion of the homeland.

Bulwark Fighting Line

Japanese from government officials to the old and young are strengthening their fighting line in determination to "fight to the death when our mainland becomes a battlefield," Domei agency said in a broadcast indicating thoughts on invasion possibilities.

Full expectations of an American landing on Iwo Jima was expressed by the enemy radio with the comment that the constant aerial bombardment of the island was in line with Yank routine before landing operations.

Magnitude of the United States fleet and task force which effected the historic seaborne strike at Japan was indicated in a dispatch by Vern Haugland, Associated Press war correspondent, who said they included the largest and newest American carriers, battleships, light carriers, cruisers and destroyers.

The task force is the greatest in history and exceeded anything of its kind even dreamed of a few years back, Haugland said.

The Tokyo attack producey joy in Chungking, Chinese war capital, which has been hammered by Japanese planes. Newspapers of the city hailed the raid as an "almost unimaginable epic of American might and daring."

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around the Nipponese capital, judging by the American radio conversations:

Samples included:

"Field No. 5—There's 60 planes on it—give 'em hell."

"Field No. 85—There's 50 single-engine planes."

Japs Give First Tip

Radio "ear" witnesses listened to Tokyo radio for first evidence that the momentous raid was under way.

They heard the Tokyo announcer start screaming; then a Japanese language broadcast abruptly ceased at about 7:25 a. m.

The announcer returned to the air momentarily for a few quick words now and then. Continuous broadcasting was not resumed until after 5 p. m.

Radio conversations between the raiding carrier Hellcats and Corsairs provided most of the early news of the strike.

The B-29 crewmen, listening while they vainly sought glimpses of the ground, heard one carrier plane pilot report: "Burned three on the ground."

"Five in the air," shouted another.

"Go and Get Them"

Later the weather cleared at lower levels, the B-29 crew reported, and they heard an order passed: "Clearing over targets, go and get them."

McMillin said that Garvin had been over Japan several times before and had "been shot at plenty—so he really was sore about not getting a better look at this."

"In fact," the Navy officer continued, "he wanted to drop to 10,000 feet but just then some carrier pilot began yelling: 'There go the bastards up into the overcast. Let's get 'em!'

"That made up, our minds. We were not going to get the B-29 mixed up in that melee."

McMillin, weary after the long trip, said the weather continued bad on the way back to the Marianas and the wings of the big plane carried three inches of ice before it finally broke into the clear.

When the Superfortress left the Japanese coast at 12:30 p. m. (Friday, Japan time), the raid was in full swing.

Todd Strikers Demand Unit For Bargaining

Seattle, Feb. 16 (AP).—President Henry A. Doty of the striking United Brotherhood of Welders, Cutters and Helpers Union, told newsmen today when informed the National War Labor Board at Washington had ordered his men back to wor kat the Todd shipyards:

"My answer is an election, or no work. They're just dodging the issue. They'll be able to understand that."

His reference was to a demand for a bargaining agency election at the struck yards. The strike was called last Friday following action by the AFL welders' union in expelling six members, also members of the independent union, from membership. Their expulsion brought automatic dismissal frmo the yards under the AFL duration contract.

About 1000 welders are out at the plants of the Todd shipyards and the Todd drydocks.

The WLB, ordering the strikers to return to work immediately, had said:

"Every facility of West Coast shipyards is required to support the efforts of the Army and Navy against Japan."

Textile Workers Defiant

By the Associated Press

The United Textile Workers of America expressed defiance yesterday of a War Labor Board directive ordering 3000 strikers at the American Enka Corp., Asheville, N. C., back to work and asked the board to reconsider its decision.

Bernard Eberts, attorney for the union, in a petition to the board said:

"We ask the board's indulgens in our defiance of its directive of February 15, 1945, so that our procedure in filing this petition will attain an equality in rank and position to that of the American Enka Corp. and also, so that we may be permitted to cherish happy the thought, that the board will upon reconsideration take another flip-hop and land again on its feet with a determination to do what we all intended it should do, i. e., settle labor disputes, and not nominate itself as the self-appointed guardian of a corporation's right t oenter a suit in a court of law, which right the corporation already possesses despite the board's abortive effort to enhance the same by its vacillating decision of February 15, 1945."

After a hearing Thursday, the board ordered the meployes to retur nto work and the company to arbitrate its differences with the Enka nion, a united textile unit.

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of California broke GOP ranks to oppose recommital.

Democrats for Recommittal

The following 22 Democrats bolted the Administration in the futile effort to recommit the bill:

Abernethy (Miss.), Andrews (Ala.), Boykin (Ala.), Bell (Mo.), Cox (Ga.), Cravens (Ark.), Gathings (Ark.), Gibson (Ga.), Gossett (Tex.), Lanham (Tex.), McGehee (Miss.), McKenzie (La.), Murray (Tenn.), Philbin (Mass.), Rankin (Miss.), Rivers (S. C.), Slaughter (Mo.), Smith (Va.), Stewart (Okla.), West (Tex.), Whitten (Miss.), and Winstead (Miss.).

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stationed in France and Belgium was restricted by bad weather.

Losses in the Eighth Air Force's operations on Wednesday, when 2200 planes delivered the opening daylight blow of the new assault on Germany, were announced as eight bombers and five fighters. Losses announced for Thursday were revised downward from 15 to 12 bombers and from six to 2 fighters.

In a joint statement the United States Air Forces and the British Air Ministry reported that German gasoline production had been reduced by more than 80 per cent in the past 10 months.

Series A Bond Holders Urged to Buy E Issue

W. J. Waller, chairman of the District's War Finance Committee, yesterday urged holders of Series A Savings Bonds, which come up for maturity payments March 1, to reinvest them in Series E War Bonds.

Explaining that such reinvestment transactions can be made at any bank or trust company, Waller pointed out that holders of Series A Bonds who reinvest them for another ten years will net approximately 77 per cent increment on their original investment.

Pittsburgh Wac Gets $7150 Loan Under Bill

The first Wac veteran to get a loan under the "GI bill of rights," the Veterans Administration reported yesterday, is Miss Elizabeth M. Lutz of Pittsburgh.

Miss Lutz, who served for a year and three months before her discharge for dependency, obtained a $7150 loan to buy a house for herself and her father.

William J. Cooper

Funeral services for William J. Cooper, 55, of 4125 Garrison st. nw., who died Wednesday at Mount Alto Hospital, will be held at 2 p. m. today at Fort Myer Chapel. Burial will be in Arlington.

A native of Philadelphia, Pa., Mr. Cooper was an invalid much of his life after he was gassed in the Meuse-Argonne in the first World War. He was a Mason and Knights Templar.

Mr. Cooper never married. He leaves his mother, Mrs. Annie Cooper; a brother, Samuel F. Cooper, both of Washington, and three sisters, Mrs. Mary Jones of Matamoras, Pa.; Mrs. Esther Hosier and Mrs. Clara Bordner, both of Philadelphia, Pa.

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can set up to shell Corregidor, which guards the entrance to Manila Bay.

Gunfire from Corregidor Fortress was neutralized beforehand by cruiser and destroyer batteries, and by American airplanes.

MacArthur said the landing was made along the south coast of Bataan at a number of points centering about Mariveles Bay.

United States Losses Light

Sixth Division Yanks drove down the peninsula's Manila Bay coast from captiured Pillar, meanwhile, and moved toward a juncture with the thirty-eighth Division along an east-west road.

The Japanese sealed o: on Bataan Peninsula are doomed.

In war-blackened Manila, MacArthur announced that three American divisions were continuing "the progressive reduction of the enemy's final position" in the old Intramuros District along the Bay shore just south of the mouth of the Pasig River.

Two Airfields Seized

East of the capital American troops seized two airfields at Mandaluyong.

To the south of the city, patrols reached the west gate of Fort William McKinley.

American bombers which have pounded Corregidor almost daily for weeks dropped a heavy load of 147 tons of explosives on the fortress.

Despite bad weather, U. S. fighters crossed the China Sea to attack Kato airdrome on Formosa, strafing a parked bomber and a train.

Three small freighters were sunk or damaged in the Mansei Islands, and another freighter was sent to the bottom off Hong Kong.

A small, heavily laden freighter was left ablaze and sinking from a direct hit in the Lesser Sunda Islands south of the Philippines.

Japs Claim Landing

(Tokyo radio broadcast a news dispatch saying Japanese had made an amphibious attack on American positions south of Manila, on the west coast of Batangas Province. There was no confirmation of such an attack.)

Japanese in South Manila continued to fight back desperately. They checked the advance of doughboys through the University of Philippines campus.

They also turned their fire on civilians.

A Chinese merchant told Associated Press War Correspondent Russell Brines he had seen a score of Chinese mowed down as they attempted to flee from a burning building. Other accounts of similar ruthless killings were given by seven men who escaped through the Intramuros walls and swam the Pasig.

Brines reported that numerous Filipinos told him the Japanese had declared they would execute "any Filipinos who show sympathy or give assistance to the white invaders." They were quoted further: "We know that at least 95 per cent of the Filipinos are pro-American."

Dr. R. H. Felix Elected To Mental Hygene Board

Dr. Robert H. Felix, chief of the Mental Hygiene Division of the United States Public Health Service and a resident of 5802 Roosevelt st., Bethesda, Md., was named to the Board of Directors of the National Committee for Mental Hygiene, it was announced yesterday.

Dr. Felix has been an officer of the PHS since 1933. His service includes aid to defective delinquents and drug addicts, and mental hygiene work for the Coast Cuard. At present, Dr. Felix is stationed at the United States Public Health Hospital, Lexington, Ky.

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Protection Urged For U.S. Base Rights

War Sidelights

Yanks Seal Balky Nazis In Pillbox

Paris, Feb. 16 (AP).—United States First Army infantrymen assaulting the Siegfried Line recently found a method of dealing with Nazis who refuse to leave their pillboxes.

A mobile acetylene torch unit crept behind one emplacement and welded the steel doors shut, sealing the Germans inside. Other Nazis in neighboring pillboxes who realized what had happened quickly became more susceptible to persuasion.

Greek Press 'Freed'

Athens, Feb. 16 (AP).—The government passed a law today restoring freedom of the press to Greece. It suppresses all the limitations which the Metaxas dictatorship imposed on the issuance and circulation of newspapers.

Yank Troops Fall Back on Monte Canala

Rome, Feb. 16 (AP).—American troops on the extreme left flank of the Fifth Army front near the Tyrrhenian coast have fallen back onto the southern slopes of Monte Canala, four miles southeast of the road hub of Massa, after enemy infiltrations threatened their outposts, Allied headquarters announced today.

This withdrawal put the Ninety-second Infantry Division back in the positions it held prior to its two-day attack in that area a week ago, a communique said.

Enemy radio reports said Allied reinforcements were moving up behind the Eighth Army's lines along the Senio River in the southern Po Valley, but suggested that any Allied offensive likely would be held up until the weather improved.

German patrols which attempted to probe American lines southeast of Bologna were knocked back by mortar fire.

Brazilian Thunderbolt pilots cut railroad tracks at three points in northeastern Italy yesterday and damaged several enemy vehicles.

Police Question Youth in Death Of His Mother

Detroit, Feb. 16 (U.P.).—Elvin Kent, 15, confused and semi-hysterical after police disproved his two alibis, retired behind a stubborn stream of "I don't knows" today as officers questioned him about the slaying of his mother, Mrs. Ida Kent, 38.

Mrs. Kent, a Bible class teacher, was found beaten and stabbed in the kitchen of her home last night. Elvin said he first called his father, Franklin Kent, who was at work at the Nash-Kelvinator plant. The father fainted when he heard the news.

Questioned at the sheriff's office, the boy first said he was at a movie last night during the time his mother apparently was killed, but changed his story when he couldn't tell the names of the pictures.

Highest Medal Goes To Pilot Who Gave Life for Gunner

Rome, Feb. 16 (AP).—The Congressional Medal of Honor was awarded posthumously today to Lieut. David R. Kingsley, Portland, Ore., a Fifteenth Air Force Fortress bombardier who sacrificed his life for an enlisted man.

It was the first of the Nation's highest decorations awarded to a member of the Fifteenth Air Force. Kingsley was cited for heroism on a mission over the Ploesti oil fields of Romania last June 23. He gave his parachute harness to a wounded tailgunner, Sergt. Michael J. Sullivan, Chicago, and went down to his death in the crippled plane.

The incident was disclosed when survivors returned months later from a Bulgar prison camp.

Tokyo Attack Report Written by Adm. Nimitz

San Francisco, Feb. 16.—Admiral Chester W. Nimitz was so interested in the attack on Tokyo that he wrote out the official communique himself, in long hand, said an NBC broadcast by Robert McCormick from Guam.

But the historic communique is missing. Whether it is the property of some souvenir hunter, or was mistakenly tossed into the waste basket, no one knows.

State Department Asked to Safeguard Many Investments

By the Associated Press

A bipartisan senatorial group challenged the State Department yesterday to evolve a national policy for advancing foreign trade and protecting overseas investments in air bases and radio stations.

Asserting that this country has stood too long "in the shadow of the British," Senator Chandler (D., Ky.), indorsed the suggestion of Senator Ferguson (R., Mich.), that "it's up to the State Department to take over."

Agreeing with their view, Senator Brewster (R., Me.), told reporters the State Department "should come to Congress for any statutory authority it needs."

Follows Inquiry Report

The interviews came on the heels of a War Investigating Committee report by Senators Tunnell (D., Del.) and Burton (R., Ohio). They reported the United States virtually has no postwar rights in radio stations and air bases it has constructed all over the globe.

"Your committee believes that never again will the United States have an opportunity to share in world trade such as is offered to us by circumstances prevailing in the Mediterranean and Middle Eastern areas," said the Senators, just back from hearings in those regions.

Has No Real Titles

They pointed out that the United States has airports and radio stations in which it has no real titles, and added:

"Our commerce may be limited by lack of commercial treaties, by an entire absence of the right to trade with many of the nations of the world.

"Our airlines do not have any commercial rights in most of the Mediterranean area."

Chandler said that it is up to the State Department to lead the way to the resumption of commercial efforts and proper negotiations for continuation of the use of American-financed facilities in the area.

Alexandria Bar Names New President

John P. Strauss was elected president of the Alexandria Bar Association succeeding Judge James Reece Duncan at the annual dinner meeting Thursday.

Strauss is adjutant of the Eleventh Battalion of the Virginia State Guard, Republican member of the three-man Alexandria Electoral Board, treasurer of the Alexandria Boys Club, former chairman of the Alexandria Republican Committee and former United States Commissioner for the Eastern District of Virginia at Alexandria.

The association elected J. Randolph F. Davis vice president and Nicholas A. Colasanto, secretary treasurer. Named to the executive committee were City Attorney Joseph M. Pancoast, Irving Diener and Judge Harry F. Kennedy.

Colasanto and Diener were appointed to a committee to select a gift for Judge Duncan as retiring president. He thanked the members for their cooperation and said the association has an opportunity to offer continued service to the community through free legal aid to service men and support of civic projects.

Judge Duncan told of interest which the association had more than a year ago in retaining the topedo plant after the war.

Norway to Be Defended, German Official Says

Stockholm, Feb. 16 (AP).—Reichscommissar Josef Terboven, Norway's German boss, told the Nazi-controlled Scandinavian Telegraph Bureau today that Norway "will be defended at all cost" because of its strategic value to the German war effort.

In his first press interview since he came to Oslo five years ago, Terboven sought to paint a rosy picture of Norway's future and characterized as "a curious thought" the suggestion that Germany might collapse on the continent.

Ambassador Sawyer Urges Aid for Belgians

Brussels, Feb. 16 (U.P.).—Charles Sawyer, U. S. Ambassador, returned from a tour of the Ardennes today and appealed to Americans to be more generous in their aid to Belgium. St. Vith, La Roche, Houffalize, Bastogne, Malmedy and "other places too numerous to mention" are almost totally destroyed, he said.

Sawyer suggested that American cities "adopt" these Belgian towns. There is a critical need for more blankets, shoes and clothing, he said.

Yanks Blast Old Fort Drum

Associated Press Wirephoto from U. S. Air Forces

TO GET IT BACK—Bombs from U. S. planes plant an infernal garden of death on Fort Drum, noe of the string of forts guarding Manila Bay

Chinese Knock 25-Mile Gap In Railway

Chungking, Feb. 16 (AP).—Chinese counterattacks have knocked a 25-mile gap in the rebuilt Canton-Hankow railway, which the Japanese hope to use as an overland supply route in the coming battle for China, a Chinese army spokesman declared today.

Maj. Gen. Kung Chi-kuang said the breach began at Pingshek, about 180 miles north of Canton, and extended to Liangtien, approximately 25 miles farther north, in Hunan Province.

Japanese attempts to detour this troublesome stretch of the railway by throwing a land route out to the east through the former United States eastern China air bases at Suichwan, Kanhsien and Namyung, also have been dealt a blow, General Kung asserted.

He said counterattacks had broken through his loop with the recapture of Chihing, 30 miles east of Kukong, which is 130 miles north of Canton.

The high command declared the Japanese, trying to restore the situation here, had struck back 6 miles in a counterblow aimed at Chihing. It declared the attack was checked 9½ miles east of Chihing.

General Kung declared there was a heavy movement of Japanese troops southward from Manchuria, apparently in preparation for the expected American landings on the Chinese mainland.

Burma Bridges Hit

Kandy, Ceylon, Feb. 16 (AP).—Continuing a campaign to blockade Japanese forces in southern Burma by air as Allied ground forces press down from the north, heavy bombers wrecked or damaged three rail and highway bridges on the enemy's main overland supply lines from Thailand yesterday, headquarters announced.

A bridge on the main Burma-Thailand rail line was destroyed by direct hits, while a span on the Bangkok-Chiengmai route also was struck by mobs. A road bridge in the same area was damaged, a communique said.

(A broadcast by the Tokyo radio said 15 B-29 Superfortresses were supporting American and Chinese forces fighting in northeastern Burma. If true, this would mark the first time that great ships had been employed on tactical missions.)

Legion of Merit Is Awarded District Colonel

Col. Carleton Smith, a native Washingtonian who now is stationed at Fort George G. Meade, Md., has been awarded the Legion of Merit for "outstanding service" during the Burma campaign last year.

Colonel Smith, who saw action in France during World War I, recently returned after two years in Indian and Northern Burma. He was in combat from January to June, and the citation states:

"His aid in the preparation of the basis of present combat liaison work materially helped in the development of the present high standards, and his initiative, courage and devotion to duty were an inspiration to the Allied personnel with which he served."

The colonel, who attended Western High School here, was commissioned in 1917, fought in France and was in the Army of Occupation in Germany in 1918 and 1919. He was assigned to duty in Washington from 1933 to 1937.

Veteran Will Urge Contributions for National Symphon

Flight Officer Phili Ballerino, veteran of the New Guinea campaign, who is recovering from wounds at the Army Medical Center at Forest Glen, Md., will urge contributions to the National Symphony Orchestra sustaining fund this (Saturday) afternoon between 3 and 4 p. m. over Station WRC.

The program will include also an orchestra rehearsal and a speech on orchestral problems by Conductor Hans Kindler. Rehearsal numbers to be broadcast will be the Wagner numbers scheduled for performance Sunday in Constitution Hall at 4 p. m.

Flight Officer Ballerino will describe musical programs heard by American fighters in the South Pacific on Radio Tokyo's Zero Hour. This was the only music they heard except when the United Service Organization brought occasional entertainments to visit the camps, he said.

Japs Claim Citizens Calm In Huge Raid

By the Associated Press

Japanese civilians remained "calm and unperturbed" while more than 1500 U. S. naval carrier planes spattered the Tokyo-Yokohama area with bombs and machine-gun fire, Tokyo radio claimed yesterday.

The raid "failed to affect our citizens' morale in the least," said the broadcast of a Domei agency dispatch, beamed to the United States and heard by Federal Communications Commission monitors.

While speculating that "the enemy purposely chose the rush hours for his raid on the metropolis so as to interrupt our production activities," the propaganda broadcast said that workers already had arrived at their post when the raid sirens sounded.

The Japanese have never conceded that American raids, even the heaviest Superfortress blows, have seriously interfered with factory production, but recent Tokyo broadcasts have announced that some Nipponese war factories are being moved to Manchuria.

'Blacklist' System Of Allies Scored By Swedish Press

Stockholm, Feb. 16 (AP).—A clamor for a firmer attitude both by the Swedish government and Swedish business toward the Allied "blacklist" system was the principal topic of Stockholm press editorials today.

"Both where it concerns the blacklist system and private firms' relations with attempts by foreign officials to control Swedish commerce is a firmer attitude recommended," said Svenska Dagbladet, organ of the Conservative Party.

"In the long run it will be better for Swedish commerce than obedience to foreign pressure."

The powers which direct the blacklist operations "sit in Washington and London," where they seek to obtain "unwarranted influence over Swedish trade and commerce," the paper said.

Stettinius to Visit President of Brazil

Rio de Janeiro, Feb. 16 (U.P.).—U. S. Secretary of State Edward Stettinius, jr., is scheduled to arrive here tomorrow from Europe en route to the Inter-American Conference in Mexico City, it was officially announced today.

Before leaving for Mexico Sunday with Brazilian Foreign Minister Pedro Leao Veloso and U. S. Ambassador to Brazil Adolf Berle, jr.—both delegates to the conference—Stettinius will visit President Getulio Vargas at his summer residence at Petrolpoliss.

Marjorie Rambeau Hurt In Automobile Crash

Hollywood, Feb. 16 (U.P.).—Marjorie Rambeau, veteran screen actress, was injured seriously today when her car, which she was driving, went out of control and crashed into a parked car and a tree.

The 54-year-old actress suffered head and leg injuries.

Axis Fears Reds Will Join Pacific War

Japan as well as Germany may count on being disarmed and demilitarized as a result of the decision at Yalta, diplomatic quarters here indicated as Japanese propagandists expressed fears that Russia may have decided to join the United States and Great Britain in the Pacific war against Japan.

The communique issued after the Yalta conference made no mention of the Japanese war, but indications mounted that it was thoroughly canvassed.

One source here pointed out that military plans today are so closely tied in with the world shipping situation that agreement could not have been reached for a stepped up campaign against Germany without considering the effect on the war in the Pacific.

Agreement Reported

A report from Paris went further and stated that Great Britain and Russia agreed to permanent American acquisition of bases in the Marianas at Yalta.

Ta Kung Pao, described as an influential Chungking newspaper, suggested editorially that Allied terms for Japan would parallel those set for Germany at Yalta.

Diplomatic quarters here suggested that conference among the United States, Great Britain, and China might now be in order to apply the Yalta terms to the Pacific.

Some phases of the Yalta conference might be applied to the Pacific through diplomatic channels, without having a formal meeting of the three powers, it was said. However, a meeting of the foreign ministers or heads of state of the three nations might be required to wrap up an overall Pacific settlement in one bundle.

Since the United States has been reluctant to discuss postwar matters with China at this phase of the war, it was considered unlikely that any formal American-British-Chinese meeting would be called until Germany is finally defeated. Then, if Russia joins in the war against Japan, a four-power follow-up to Yalta might develop, it was pointed out.

FCC monitors here recorded a Singapore radio broadcast which acknowledged that "an element of danger" existed that Russia would renounce its neutrality pact with Japan, but then went on to insist that Russia has nothing to gain by entering the Pacific war.

"There is no outstanding issue between Russia and Japan that cannot be settled by peaceful negotiation," the Japanese commentator said.

Suggesting that Anglo-American pressure was brought against Russia at Yalta to attack the Japanese in Manchuria, the commentator said:

"Quite possibly, Russia's entanglements with Britain and America in the West have gone so far that she might find herself helpless against pressure from London and Washington. Although she is fully aware that an aggressive step by her in the East will serve British and American interests more than Russian."

Yalta ruled that Germany must be split into four zones of occupation with Britain, France, the United States and Russia each administering a portion of the Reich. Under the proposed terms, the German army and general staff are to be broken up, industries capable of producing for war will be eliminated or controlled, the Nazi Party will be destroyed, and Nazi and militarist influences will be kept out of public life.

'Society' Physician Commits Suicide

Winnetka, Ill., Feb. 16 (U.P.).—Police disclosed today that Dr. Harold L. Sippy, 43, a society physician, took his own life and left a note saying he was the "victim of too much psychoanalysis."

Sippy's body was found last night beside his automobile in his garage. Authorities said he died of carbon monoxide poisoning.

In the house, police found a telegram signed by his wife, Camilla, from Tucson, Ariz., which said:

"Absolutely no use your coming out here. You must plan your future without me."

Auto Kills Va. Boy

Hampton, Va., Feb. 16 (AP).—George F. Ferchak, 28-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Ferchak, was killed yesterday when struck and run over by an automobile.

Used as a Decoy, He Tricks Nazis

PFC. LEO T. ZINGALE, of Cleveland, Ohio, whom the Gearmans tied in front of their machine guns as a decoy to trop Americans. Zingale yelled at the attacking Yanks, "Fire right at me, boys!" and when their guns roared he hurled himself to the ground, escaping injury. He has been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross

McFarland Sentenced To Die June 26

Earl J. McFarland, former Marine warrior of the South Pacific, was sentenced yesterday to die in the electric chair June 26 for the rape and murder of Dorothy Berrum, 18.

Justice James M. Proctor set the date of the mandatory death penalty that accompanies first-degree murder convictions after hearing testimony of a surprise witness and overruling a motion for a new trial.

Defense Attorney P. Bateman Ennis said he would take the case to the Court of Appeals.

Seven Testify

The witness was Louis L. Bailey, 38, special policeman for the International Business Machine Corp., who claimed he saw McFarland pass his parked car on Hains Point the night of the murder, and that 15 minutes later he observed a girl the likeness of Miss Berrum talking to a civilian.

But he was followed to the witness stand by Mrs. Novella Hayes, 3003 P st. nw., who said she saw nothing unusual that night when she accompanied Bailey to the parkway.

Five members of the police department also testified that Bailey had made contradictory statements about his purported knowledge in the murder case.

Court Not Impressed

Justice Proctor said he could "put no reliance in this testimony—I'm not in the least impressed." He asserted that such witnesses could be found "in almost every case that the newspapers describe in great detail," and labelled those persons "publicity seekers."

McFarland received the sentence pronouncement calmly, smiled afterwards and shook his attorney's hand. He appeared in a civilian suit and was wearing a slight brown moustache that was not evident above his lip during the trial which ended February 1.

Plunkett Waits In Vain to Hear Election Testimony

By the Associated Press

Seven comfortable armchairs remained unoccupied yesterday as Moss A. Plunkett waited for witnesses in his contest of the election of 69 congressmen from southern poll tax States.

Plunkett had "summoned" four senators and three representatives to appear at a hearing in a hotel a few blocks from the capitol. Several hours after he and his secretary, Arthur Dunn, and a notary public, Floy Linn, arrived at the hearing room, none of the seven had appeared.

Two—Representative Smith (D., Va.), and Senator McKella (D., Tenn.)—had written him they would not appear. Dunn called the remaining five yesterday and said he was able to reach only Senator Bilbo (D., Miss.), who declined to appear.

Plunkett, a Roanoke, Va., attorney, and Dunn inserted into the record exhibits purporting to show they had acted according to procedure laid down by law for election contests.

57 Britons Reject Ministry's Plea To Ferry Tankers

Halifax, Nova Scotia, Feb. 16 (AP).—Fifty-seven British seamen, refusing to ferry three Great Lakes tankers across the Atlantic, have rejected a British Ministry of War Transport appeal for reconsideration of their stand. They termed the vessels unseaworthy and declared the facts of their assignment had been misrepresented to them in England.

A court of inquiry was held here by the Canadian section of the British Ministry of War Transport into the crew's refusal to sail. Its recommendations were sent to London.

The men, in Canada for more than a month, say they came here from Britain with the understanding they were to pick up new tankers, but that the three ships they were expected to sail back were all more than 40 years old, had flat bottoms unsuitable for deep-sea travel, and had faulty boilers.

Some Pumpkins

Indianapolis, Ind. (U.P.).—Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Atwell proudly displayed their single pumpkin vine which had more than 250 pounds of pumpkins on it.

Fair Dealing Is Urged in Water Treaty

By the Associated Press

Principles of fairness and equity should be the guiding factors in negotiating a treaty between the United States and Mexico for use of the waters of the Colorado River and the Rio Grande, a Senate committee was told yesterday.

Clifford H. Stone, director of the Colorado Water Conservation Board, informed the Foreign Relations Committee he is convinced that unless the pact is ratified the United States will be required to arbitrate the water question under the Arbitration Treaty of 1929.

He was strongly supported in his views by Chairman Connally (D., Tex.) of the committee.

Deal as an Equal

When Stone said that the present treaty process is a recognition of the moral duty on the part of the United States to deal with Mexico as an equal, Connally asked:

"Isn't it the difference of saying on the one hand that we wish to deal with Mexico on a basis of comity and equity, and saying on the other that we could withhold every drop of water (in the Colorado River) from her?

Five States Agree

Stone agreed. He added that failure to deal with Mexico on a recognized basis of equity "does not comport with what I believe to be our policy in dealing with our neighbors."

Ratification of the treaty, which would allocate Mexico 1,500,000 acre-feet of water annually from the Colorado, is protested by California on the ground it would deprive American users of needed water.

The Coloradoan told the committee that terms of the treaty have been endorsed by five of the Colorado River basin States (Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, New Mexico and Arizona, and also by Texas). He said the State Department had been extremely frank and open in consulting with the States before arriving at the terms of the treaty with Mexico.

House Labor Body Favors Permanent Employment Unit

The House Labor Committee voted 12 to 2 yesterday for legislation to create a permanent Fair Employment Practices Commission (FEPC) to protect job rights of minority workers.

The measure is similar to one approved by the committee in the last Congress but never passed.

The present Fair Employment Practices committee was created by executive order.

Representative Fisher (D., Tex.) said he and Representative Hoffman (R., Mich.) voted against sending the bill to the House floor.

Nazi Peace Feelers Reported Again

By the Associated Press

The recurring rumor that Dr. Hjalmar Schacht was putting out peace feelers in Germany's behalf cropped up again today in a French press agency report which the Federal Communications Commission circulated.

The French dispatch said Schacht, German financier, had reached Switzerland and there were "certain reports" that he "is believed to be trying to establish contact with neutral and Allied personages in an attempt to negotiate a German surrender." Similar rumors in the past have never been corroborated in any detail.

Operation Save's Baby After Death of Mother

Marietta, Ohio, Feb. 16 (U.P.).—A tiny baby girl whimpered fretfully in her bassinet at a hospital here today under the watchful eyes of physicians who delivered her by a caeserian section a few minutes after her mother's death.

The operation was performed after the mother, Mrs. Margaret Lough, of Middlebourn, W. Va., died of a heart attack as she was being wheeled into the delivery room. Physicians said the baby is "doing fine," the father is fighting in France.

WPB Textile Order Causes OPA Feud

By Fred Brandejs

Sharp disagreement between the War Production Board and the Office of Price Administration on the handling of their joint program to channelize civilian textiles into essential low-cost garments came to light yesterday at the Capital, where an informal House Committee on Woolens held a day-long meeting.

While the WPB order, which will control allocations, was signed yesterday, OPA price-control orders are being held up to permit Congress and the industry time for full discussion, it was learned. The effects of this situation are as bewildering to the industry, spokesmen said, as to the layman.

Barrett Wants Probe

Representative Frank A. Barrett (R., Wyo.), chairman of the House committee, said last night:

"After hearing witnesses from WPB and OPA I still am unclear as to the details of the order and the reasons for it.

"However, I am convinced that a thorough nvestigation is required, by a proper congressional committee, into the purposes of the order and the reasonableness of its operation.

"Jerome Nye of OPA has been most cooperative by agreeing to have the OPA order held up until thorough discussion with the Industry Advisory Committee can be completed.

"However, Kenneth Marriner of WPB not only failed to accede to our request, but apparently did not even consider it. He has consistently refused to provide us with details of the WPB sertions of the order.

Puzzled by WPB Order

"This committee is considerably puzzled by the hasty signing of the WPB order, in a situation where, as regards woolens, 90 per cent of the production is earmarked for military requirements, and no immediate effect can possibly be expected."

Earlier, at the committee hearings, R. S. Bartlett, vice president of the Botany Mills and member of the wool advisory committee of both OPA and WPB, testified that he had not been consulted prior to the promulgation of the WPB order, and still didn't know what was in it.

Alexandria Family Service Banquet Set for Monday

Officials of the Alexandria Community Chest and the Alexandria Council of Social Agencies have been invited to the annual dinner meeting of the Alexandria Family Service Society Monday at 6:30 p. m. at the Laura Lee Tea House, 555 South Washington st.

Guest speaker will be Miss Josephine Starr, member of the Washington Council of Social Agencies, who was formerly field representative of the Family Welfare Association of America. Her talk will deal with the aims and philosophies of family welfare assistance, it was announced by Miss Thelma Barth, executive secretary of the Alexandria organization.

Donald E. Jameson, chairman of the society's nominating committee, will present the slate of new officers and board members for 1945 which will be considered for election by the present board.

What's Going On and Where

Entertainment for Service Men and Women

Victory Canteen for Servicemen, 1113 Pennsylvania ave. nw., 10 a. m.

Army-Navy Masonic Servicemen's Center, 13th st. and New York ave. nw., 1 p. m.

Servicemen's Ticket Booth, E st. and Pennsylvania ave. nw., 4 to 8:30 p. m.

Pepsi-Cola Canteen for Servicemen of the United Nations, 13th and G sts. nw., checking, showers and lounge, all day.

Stage Door Canteen, Colleen Hellman, marimba player, 8 p. m.; Chevy Chase Revue, 8:30 p. m.; U. S. Marine Dance Band, 9 to 10:30 p. m.

Officers Service Club, dance, Mayflower Hotel, sapphire room, 9 to 12 p. m.

USO, 1911 H st. nw., dancing class, 8 to 10 p. m.; lodging for servicewomen.

USO, YMCA, 1736 G st. nw., sightseeing, 1:30 p. m.; musical echoes, 6 to 7 p. m.; church supper, 6 p. m.; dance of week, 9 p. m.; Chinese dance, 9 p. m.; refresher hour, 10:30 p. m.

USO, 801 Market space nw., voice recording, 3 p. m.; gala stage show, stunts, contests, prizes, refreshments, 9 p. m.

Officers' dance, Jemmes Club, Jewish women's organization, Willard Hotel, 9 p. m. to 1 a. m.

Swimming, National Jewish Welfare Board, 1529 16th st. nw., servicemen, 5 to 10 p. m.

Party, New York Ave. Presbyterian Church, between 13th and 14th sts., for all service and civilian young people, 8 p. m.

Luncheons, Dinners and Other Entertainments

Meeting, Polish Club of Washington, 5532 Georgia ave. nw., 8:45 to 12 p. m.

Meeting, Philosophical Society of Washington, Cosmos Club auditorium, 8:15 p. m.

Luncheon, Harvard Club, Col. Carl Steinreas, guest speaker; Annapolis Hotel, 12:30 p. m.

Dance, Alpha Lambda Phi, congressional room, Willard Hotel, 9 p. m. to 1 a. m.

Germans Turn on Tormentor At U. S. Army Court Trial

Aachen, Germany, Feb. 16 (AP).—Some German civilian victims of Nazi oppression turned on one of their tormentors with sputtering vehemence today and testified at the trial of Otto Meyer, 46, before an American Military Government court.

Meyer is accused of giving Allied officials false information. He was exposed as a local wheelhorse of the Nazi Party after he had worked himself into a position of trust with the American Army and had been given several important secret missions.

The German witnesses pictured him as a ruthless leader of a gang of terrorists in Hitler's Storm Troopers known as the "Terror Commandos."

Their victims were chiefly Communists and other opponents of Fascism. A witness said Meyer kicked one victim and broke his jaw.

Another witness said hundreds more would testify against Meyer if they were not afraid.

The defendant faces a maximum sentence of 10 years for stating falsely that he never was a member of the Storm Troopers and that he had been "considered as an enemy of the state" since 1938.

D. C. Wacs in Europe

U. S. Army Signal Corps Photo.

POSTAL WORKERS—A Scot bagpiper gets acquainted with Negro Wacs Marie McKinney (left), of 467 Eye st. nw., and Edith Gaskill, of Arlington, Va., somewhere in the European theater. The Wacs arrived recently with the first all-Negro postal unit in the European theater. The unit will handle the Army postal directory service for the entire theater

Authorities Probe Motives Of Accused Army Wife-Slayer

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 16 (AP).—The State began preparations today to bring Lieut. Sam C. Epes to trial on a charge of murdering his wife as police disclosed they had been probing into his friendship with a Lake Charles, La., blonde, in search of a possible motive.

The 29-year-old Army officer from Richmond, Va., was charged with murder after he led officers to a foxhole near Fort Jackson where the body of his wife was found buried late Wednesday, 16 days after Epes reported her missing.

Investigators here said today they had found letters from the Lake Charles woman in Epes' apartment three or four days after Mrs. Epes, 26, an attractive Jacksonville, Fla., school teacher, disappeared.

At Lake Charles, Sheriff Henry A. Reid, jr., said he had questioned the young woman, a war plant worker whose name was withheld, and that she had turned over to him a score of letters which he forwarded to officers in Columbia.

The letters, he said, closed with "love," but he quoted the girl as saying she and Epes were "merely good friends." She was also quoted as saying she had received three letters from Epes after the disappearance of his wife, in one of which he advised her not to write any more "under the circumstances." She told the sheriff she did not know Epes was married until two or three weeks ago.

Epes was stationed near Lake Charles before his transfer to Fort Jackson.

When arrested, the young officer, commander of an ambulance unit, said his wife died of an overdose of a sleeping potion and that he became panic stricken and buried her body. An autopsy report said she died of blows after being drugged.

A few hours after Mrs. Epes' body was found, Fort Jackson authorities announced Lieutenant Epes had slashed his wrists and throat with a razor blade Monday in a suicide attempt.

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Voting In Council

We do not know what compromise was reached at the Yalta conference on voting in the Security Council. Some of the official guessing that is being done by men thoroughly familiar with the problem may reasonably be regarded, however, as an approximation of the agreement reached by Messrs. Roosevelt, Stalin and Churchill. The most credible guess from official sources that has come to our attention is to the effect that they agreed to give each of the Big Five a veto power on the use of economic or military sanctions.

According to this view, all decisions of the Security Council not involving punitive measures would be taken by majority action, although we suspect that peace settlements will be guarded against easy attack. This would mean that the six smaller powers represented on the council could initiate investigations without the approval of any of the Big Five. Likewise, they could call upon any of the Big Five to cease practices that might lead to aggression or war. So far as moral force is concerned, the smaller nations, if they should act together, could dominate the council. If no punitive action were at stake, parties to a dispute would not have the right to vote on their own cases.

The application of sanctions, whether economic or military, would be a different matter under the plan which some officials believe the conference adopted. Sanctions against an aggressor could be imposed by the council only when approved by a majority of its members, including the United States, Russia, Great Britain, France and China. By simply preventing its delegate from voting, therefore, any one of the Big Five could prevent the application of sanctions against itself or any other power. This is far from being an ideal arrangement, but it is realistic. The basic truth is that the grand coalition must operate as a unit if peace is to be preserved. Sanctions could not be imposed upon Great Britain, Russia or the United States without a major war, and if such a war is to be fought the decision to fight it will doubtless be taken outside of the council in any event.

If this is the arrangement approved at Yalta, and if it is finally written into the charter of the United Nations at San Francisco, it will greatly simplify the problem of our own voting in the Security Council. There seems to be general agreement that the American delegate, acting under direction of the President, must be granted broad powers. Some members of Congress still balk, however, at giving any executive official authority to commit this country to a major war. The power to declare war clearly belongs to Congress. Consequently, there has been much talk of reserving to Congress the right of controlling the American delegate's vote in case of applying sanctions likely to result in major war.

Under the formula outlined above no such necessity would arise. For the council would not be in a position to apply sanctions to major powers without their consent. Certainly the delegate and the President could be trusted to cast the United States' vote in the council on all issues not involving punitive action and on the routine application of sanctions against minor disturbers of the peace through unanimous agreement of the big powers.

Zhukov Plus Konev

The Nazis have managed to derive a measure of comfort from the slight progress that the Russians have made in the Frankfurt-Kuestrin sector during recent weeks. Having reached the Oder at a point only 30 odd miles from Berlin, the forces of General Zhukov appear to have encountered formidable opposition. Evidently the German high command concentrated in that sector the bulk of their available reserves. In so doing, however, they found it impossible adequately to strengthen the rest of the front, with consequences that now threaten to undermine their entire strategy.

Very revealing in this connection is the brilliant advance of Marshal Ivan Konev's First Ukrainian Army across Lower Silesia. The German assumption may have been that as long as Breslau was intact, the Russians would not risk a flank attack by extending their lines to the west of that city. Yet this is precisely what Konev did. After taking Liegnitz and Bunzlau, he pushed on across the Bober and Queis Rivers toward Dresden, with one spearpoint heading north toward Cottbus. In other words, as a result of weakening the Silesian strength in order to stiffen the Oder River line at Frankfurt and Kuestrin, the Germans may have opened the door to a Russian advance not only on Dresden but also on Berlin from the southwest.

Now that Konev's forces have succeeded in establishing a junction with those of Zhukov, a concentrated drive on the German capital is now a possibility of the near future. With that in mind, it is not hard to see why the Nazi regime has found it necessary to issue a decree placing practically all of Germany under virtual martial law. This decree calls for the military trial of "whoever tries to evade his duties toward the community." The situation in the Reich is deteriorating fast.

Export-Import Bank

FEA Administrator Leo T. Crowley on Wednesday told the House Rules Committee that he holds all the stock in the Export-Import Bank and that the Department of Commerce exerts no manner of control over the bank. In these circumstances the move to eliminate the Secretary of Commerce from the bank's board of trustees appeared to be a rather futile gesture if its purpose was simply to clip the wings of Henry Wallace prior to his confirmation. However, with Mr. Crowley the boss, there would be something rather curious, to say the least, in the spectacle of a Secretary of Commerce taking part in Export-Import Bank affairs. But, aside from these considerations, the proposal made by Representative Wolcott to set up the Export-Import Bank as an independent agency with a five-man board of directors deserves to be given very careful study, even though the Rules Committee has ruled that it is not germane to the George bill stripping the RFC from Commerce. For the time has come for Congress to do something about Government lending agencies which disburse vast sums without rendering an adequate report of their activities to Congress or to the public.

The Export-Import Bank is, of course, only one of many wholly or partly Government-owned corporations engaged in lending, and its operations are on a relatively small scale compared with those of various other lending agencies. Nevertheless, it is an important part of the country's financing mechanism, currently operating chiefly in Latin-American countries, where loans are made to develop resources vital to the war effort. As is the case with most Government corporations, the public knows next to nothing of the nature of the bank's operations. Although the pitiful paucity of current information may be defended as made necessary by the war, that does not explain the close-mouthed policy that is a long-standing characteristic of all these Government agencies. Congress, at least, ought to have full information in regard to the management of the Export-Import Bank at all times. And it should decide forthwith whether it wishes to leave the bank subject to the present one-man control system which has been set up by Executive order. We hope it will decide in the negative.

Prompt action is imperative in view of the fact that the Administration and the banking fraternity are pressing for a very large increase in the capital resources of the Export-Import Bank. The American Bankers Association has just recommended that the capital funds of the bank be increased to two billion dollars, "first, to provide means for meeting promptly deserving credit needs prior to the setting up of an international bank, and, second, to enable the United States to make loans in which this country has a special interest and which can be made more effectively through a national institution than through an international body." The International Bank mentioned is the one agreed upon at Bretton Woods, and the need for action is underlined by the prospective establishment of the bank, if not of the Monetary Fund. In that event the Export-Import Bank would become an important supplementary or auxiliary lending agency to that bank in the postwar period. It is most essential, therefore, to define carefully its sphere of activity and to accommodate its operations to those of the world bank.

So we agree with Representative Wolcott that the operation of a lending institution of the projected size and scope of the Export-Import Bank certainly should not be left to chance or consigned to the keeping of any Government official to whom the President happens to have assigned it. A similar project after the last war was part and parcel of the functioning of the War Finance Corporation under an amendment passed by Congress in March, 1919. As at that time, the lending powers of this Export-Import Bank should be limited by law, its management should be vested in trained officials, and the general character of its operations should be determined by Congress.

Henrietta Szold

Henrietta Szold was more than one of the great figures of Zionism; she was one of the most remarkable women of her age, a zealot who was characterized by an extraordinary breadth of sympathy, a devoutly religious spirit whose love of kind and of neighbor extended beyond those of her own faith, a scholar and mystic whose life was distinguished by tremendous practical accomplishments. It is small wonder that she came to be spoken of as a "prophetess in Israel." And smaller wonder that her loss should now be felt not only by Jews everywhere but by all Christians and Moslems who are capable, as she herself was at all times capable, of transcending fanaticism and prejudice.

Her great work, of course, was the founding of Hadassah, the organization of Zionist women, which has been the principal support of the great medical and sanitary accomplishments in Palestine, including the building of the now famous Hadassah-Rothschild Hospital in which she died the other day at the age of 84. When her work as a Zionist began, Palestine and its people, then under the rule of the Ottoman Turks, were still grievously afflicted with the various and immemorial plagues of the Levant—particularly trachoma and malaria. She lived to see these diseases controlled, if not conquered, through the work of her Hadasssah and its medical missions. Thus, without her vision and zeal, all the great modern Jewish achievements in Palestine might have been well-nigh impossible. The last decade of her life was spent in efforts to make Palestine a place of rehabilitation for refugees from the Nazi persecutions, especially for the Jewish children of continental Europe, and it must have been a great anguish to her that, because of political obstructions, she was successful only in part.

Even before her death her name and work had become a legend among her people. She was among the greatest of those who "remembered Zion," and it is impossible that Zion will ever forget her.

Vinson's Method

Stabilization Director Vinson has resorted to a novel method of penalizing an employer who refuses to comply with a WLB wage order. Instead of seizing the employer's plant, in case of the E. A. Laboratories, he has instructed the War and Navy Departments to cancel all contracts, and requested the WPB to deny all applications for priority shipments and allocations of scarce materials as well as to cancel all outstanding priorities and allocations. This is a drastic punishment, and one that Mr. Vinson concedes may sometimes be much more severe in its financial effects than outright seizure. At the same time it is a form of penalty that cannot be applied in many cases because to do so would seriously handicap the war effort. Only when a recalcitrant firm is engaged in making articles that can be obtained elsewhere without great difficulty is it feasible to resort to contract cancellations. Seizure likewise is feasible only in a limited number of cases, since the Government cannot undertake to run all the plants that fail to obey WLB orders. Consequently Director Vinson appeals for congressional action to put "teeth" in WLB orders, following the recent recommendation to that effect of War Mobilizer James F. Byrnes.

Mr. Vinson asks for legislation that would provide penalties for noncompliance, enforceable by the courts. That is a proposal that we have repeatedly urged, but we should like to see the request coupled with a demand for a clarification of policy, with a view particularly to insuring that the administration of justice will be even-handed; in other words, that employes as well as employers will be held to account for failure to abide by WLB orders. Furthermore, if the courts are called upon to enforce orders of an executive agency it will be necessary to specify with greater precision the kinds of action that render employers and employes liable to punishment. As the law now stands, for instance, strikes are not banned, provided workers follow the procedure laid down for settlement of disputes, and there is no suggestion in the Vinson announcement that they ought to be made punishable. Hence, unless the law itself is revised and made more stringent, there is danger that the position of the WLB would be weakened instead of being strengthened by putting the force of law and the authority of the courts behind its edicts.

Broken China

The latest efforts made by Ambassador Hurley to bring the Chungking government and the Chinese Communists together in the interests of national unity appear to have run into an old familiar snag. According to Chungking's version, a number of important concessions were made to the Communists, among them recognition of the Chinese Communist Party as a lawful political party, inclusion of a high-ranking Communist official in the national military council, inclusion of Communist representatives in the cabinet, and the establishment of a joint committee to consider the reorganization of the Communist army.

To an outsider, certainly, these concessions clearly indicate a disposition on the part of Generalissimo Chiang to meet the wishes of the Yenan regime, at least part way. But the Communists insist that Chungking's concessions are more apparent than real. Not for the first time, they are demanding far more than the Chinese national government is willing to grant, and their principal demand—for a sharp curtailment of Chiang Kai-shek's powers—Chungking is opposed to granting at all.

This obstructionist attitude will win the Chinese Communists few friends in this country. After all, half a loaf is better than no bread at all, and the dominant need of China today is for the establishment of a truly united front against the enemies of China who are also our enemies. It is possible that given this urgent need for unity Chungking will increase its bid. But, unless there is on the part of the Yenan leaders a real disposition to bury their differences with Chungking, it is difficult to see what further concessions can accomplish.

MAN WALKING IN SNOW

The day was ending soon; the city's glow
was dulled like firelight sunk in copper.
Where road met road the signs were blurred
with snow; the streets were veiled; they ran
like smoky corridors into white space;
their flimsy houses curtained, and all the noise
and movement of the restless ones within,
muffled as if submerged.

On the roadside

a man walked hunched against the snow,
his hat brim tipped over his face,
hands in his pockets, elbows against his sides.
He did not seem to know where he was going,
like a man in a strange land, lost,
all ways ahead the same, and none promising.
Slowly, slowly the snow came down upon him;
it covered like wool his head and shoulders;
it closed its arms about him while he walked,
its cold white arms, beautiful over his shoulders.

FRED LAPE.

Washington Calling

By Marquis Childs

De Gaulle's Position

Paris

CHARLES DE GAULLE, the man who never smiles, has secured his position in France with extraordinary finesse and skill.

When he escaped from fallen France nearly five years ago, no one except possibly De Gaulle himself could have foreseen that he would become the acknowledged leader of the French people. The political equation that has buttressed his power is one of the most fascinating of our time. It illustrates all the complexities of world politics in an era of complications.

It turns essentially on Soviet Russia. Without the recent Russian-French accord and the results that have flowed from it, De Gaulle's position today might be much less secure.

With the underground resistance movement in France, the Communists supplied the important leadership. Theirs was very often the initiative and courage which made possible the large scale sabotage that in turn helped materially to prepare the way for the invasion.

When France was liberated, these Communists within the French Forces of the Interior were insistent on recognition of their rights to power and determined that the provisional government should go a long way in nationalizing basic resources and utilities.

Even more important, they were determined to keep their arms as an independent force within the country. This was a source of great embarrassment to De Gaulle. The central government seemed to have no authority, with the country splitting into autonomous regions ruled by armed bands as in the days of feudalism.

BUT AFTER De Gaulle's visit to Moscow and the announcement of the accord with Russia, a remarkable transformation occurred. Maurice Thorez, French Communist leader, taking his cue from the Moscow accord, announced that the Milice Patriotique should immediately be disarmed.

Ironically enough, he used almost the exact language of Minister of the Interior Adrien Tixier, Socialist, who had been urging disarmament in the face of bitter Communist opposition. The Communist leaders in the FFI fell in with the new line as laid down by Thorez, and for the first time disarmament of the underground army became possible.

Later, Thorez took a conservative stand more or less in harmony with Finance Minister Rene Pleven. A basic controversy had developed over the nationalization of resources and utilities. Ardent Socialists such as Tixier wanted the process of nationalization to begin at once.

Pleven, who seems to have the backing of De Gaulle, argued that it should wait on the decision of the people themselves, as expressed at elections. This, the argument goes, is the democratic way. Thorez took the side of caution and delay in the controversy. Thereby one of the principal pressures behind nationalization was removed.

Certain of De Gaulle's followers had worked out a complete program of socialization to be put into effect almost immediately after the provisional government should take over. This group included not only Socialists, but former businessmen disillusioned with what seemed to them the ineffectiveness and corruption of the old system. These men are now angry at what they interpret as deliberate stalling on the part of the De Gaulle government to prevent nationalization.

IT MAY HAVE BEEN partly to make them happier that Minister of Industrial Production Robert Lacoste last week announced that France was following the Russian system of state-managed economy in an effort to cope with the grave economic crisis. Lacoste said that individual producers were incapable of deciding what the country needs most, and that, therefore, the state would direct industry under provisional commissioners responsible to the Minister of Production. If the system worked in the war, it would be used after the war, Lacoste said.

How much this actually means for the future is questionable. The influence of De Gaulle himself is believed to be on the conservative side. Those close to him are now saying you must remember that the great bulk of the French people with no active political interests are conservative in their thinking, and their desires must be taken into account in the decisions on the future of France.

De Gaulle has three faiths. First is his faith in the destiny of France. Second is his Catholicism; he is the first Catholic to be head of the state in many years. Third, and certainly not least important, is his faith in the destiny of Charles de Gaulle.

He has shown himself adept in the maneuvers of world politics. In signing the accord with Russia, he was acutely aware of the effect this would have on Britain. But those who have closely followed De Gaulle's career believe he is haunted by the fear of the communization of France should Russia move into Germany and Soviet influence radiate through all Europe.

Behind the mask of his solemn face, De Gaulle is a complex personality, which is perhaps the reason why he has succeeded in steering a sure course thus far through the devious currents of troubled Europe.

Attack On Tokyo

By Barnet Nover

Four-Dimensional War

THE ASSAULT on Tokyo by a huge force of carrier-based planes marks a new and extremely important stage in that Battle of Japan which was ushered in a long time ago by General Doolittle's fliers from "Shangri-la" and will end only with the final destruction of Japan's warmaking capacity.

At the time of the Doolittle raid (April, 1942) the tide of war in the Pacific was still running strongly against us. The fact that the war had been carried to the enemy on his home grounds gave every American a great thrill; it is questionable whether the raid had any material effect on the course of the struggle except to warn the Japanese of the vulnerability of their cities to air attack.

IN ANY EVENT, the Doolittle venture was not repeated for 34 months although, in the meantime, raids by land-based American planes—Superfortresses—on Tokyo, Nagoya, Osaka, Kobe and other great Japanese centers had become a familiar aspect of the Pacific struggle.

When the Doolittle venture was finally repeated, on February 16, it was on a scale to stagger the imagination. Instead of 16 planes, upward of 1300 were employed in the latest attack; and as against one "Shangri-la" a tremendous number of American carriers, forming part of what has been described as the greatest fleet concentration the world has ever seen, were present in the waters off Tokyo during the assault.

IT IS EVIDENT from this operation that we now possess fairly undisputed naval mastery of the Pacific. The venture would not have been possible, and might have proved suicidal, were it not for the fact that in that long succession of battles beginning with Coral Sea and ending with the Second Philippines, the Japanese navy was drastically whittled down.

Furthermore, events of the past two years have proved that given a sufficient concentration of carrier-based planes we could overwhelm the enemy's land-based air power.

This does not mean that we are now in a position successfully to invade Japan. Before that can be done we must first occupy bases from which a fairly continuous aerial assault on the Japanese home islands can be launched, and, second, destroy what is left of the Japanese fleet so as to prevent any interruption in our supply line once our troops have landed in Japan.

THE INDICATIONS are that Admiral Spruance's task force has as its primary mission to pave the way for the former goal, namely, the acquisition of bases within fairly easy range of Japan. That can only mean Iwo Jima and neighboring islands which were bombed and shelled simultaneously with the carrier-based assault on Tokyo.

Iwo Jima has been under daily air attack for more than two months, as well as occasionally being subjected to shelling by our warships. In part these attacks were defensive—Iwo Jima has been a base from which Japanese planes took off for attacks on B-29 installations on Saipan. But an additional reason why our planes have returned regularly to the Volcano Islands has been to soften them up for the day when a landing would become feasible.

That day is in the offing and may, by the time this appears, already have come.

THE LATEST attack on Tokyo is significant not merely because it marks the beginning of an intensified air assault on the Japanese home islands but also because it demonstrates the fourth-dimensional nature of the war in the Pacific.

At a moment when Japan herself was under attack, Japan was still in nominal control of a vast empire far removed from the home islands, an empire including Formosa, Malaya, Thailand, French Indo-China, the Netherlands Indies, Manchuria, a large area in China proper and many islands in the Philippines.

Up to the present, there has been no frontal attack on most of those Japanese-held areas. In adding up her potential resources, Japan can nominally include the resources of that vast empire. Certainly those resources are not in our possession. But in actuality they are not in Japan's possession either. She, or at least her agents, can continue to exploit them, but Japan cannot benefit to any great degree by such exploitation.

The war has by-passed much of the great area that Japan conquered after Pearl Harbor. The very extent of her gains at that time is now a drag on her resources — shipping, manpower, air power. The Battle of Japan and for Japan is now in full swing.

Letters To The Editor

Communications must carry writer's name and address, though pen names are permitted at the editor's discretion. Letters should be held to not more than 200 words. They are subject to condensation.

Surplus Disposal

In following the activities of the Senate Special Committee for the Investigation of the Defense Program I began to develop a new concept of the type of men we have elected to our legislature. Inspired by the leadership of such conscientious and able men as its former chairman, Vice President Truman, Senator Ferguson of Michigan and its present chairman, Senator Meade of New York, it has contributed in a large measure to the success of our war effort, by finding and recommending means of correcting flaws in our hurriedly improvised war machine.

Now, at this late date, we are confronted with the spectacle of a member of the committee, hitherto noted for his complete inactivity and indifference to the committee's affairs, injecting himself into the current investigation of the disposal of surplus war goods in the role of opposition, attempting to stall the investigation, while pretending to defend the reputations of men who are not under attack, but whose names have been mentioned only as it has been necessary in the progress of the investigation. These men do not need his championship, and indeed, of themselves would never get it, they are the red herrings being dragged across the trail leading to someone else.

It is reminiscent of a very effective scene from a movie of several years ago. A very well-made and well-acted story about Congress in action. In this scene tycoon Edward Arnold shouts at silver-thatched Senator Claude Rains, "Joe, get back to the Senate!" Somehow, I seem to hear a similar voice; "Tom, get back to that committee and make sure that my name is kept out of this damn business."

"SUBSCRIBER."

Washington, Feb. 7.

Educational Aid

Everyone who accepts the American principle of equality of opportunity should give support to the bill for 300 million dollars of Federal funds for education to be expended under control of the States. The bill provides that part of the funds must be spent specifically to raise the salaries of teachers. This is necessary, because teachers' salaries have not been raised either in proportion to the increase in the cost of living or to the increase in the total pay, including overtime of workers in war industries. Without increased pay for teachers thousands of schools in rural and low-income areas will be forced to close for lack of teachers, and elsewhere the classes will often be so overcrowded that the quality of education for the children will suffer seriously.

Part of the Federal funds are to be used to raise the educational level in States where educational facilities are now poorest, and will be paid in larger proportion to those States where the average income to the inhabitants is less than the average throughout the Nation. The trouble now is that the States with the lowest per capita income have the largest proportion of children, thus they have the greatest educational burden, but the least ability to carry that burden. "The kids are where the cash ain't," as one homespun philosopher put it, and this bill is necessary to help toward equalizing educational opportunities throughout the Nation.

Because the policies determined in Washington more and more affect the lives of all of us, and because ignorance tends to be represented by ignorance, it is to the interest of American citizens anywhere to see that American citizens everywhere get a good education

ALFRED BAKER LEWIS.

New York City, Feb. 7.

Homes For Congressmen

There is a bill in the making to spend three million dollars to build two apartment houses for Representatives and Senators, which include taking a city block for the purpose.

It does not seem right for our Government to spend such a large sum of money for an unnecessary project when the people of the Nation are being called on to buy all the bonds they can afford, and then to make every sacrifice in order to buy still more bonds to help win the war, which certainly does not mean to give the Government money to build apartment houses.

This vast sum of money which this bill calls for, if directed into proper channels, could accomplish much toward winning this war. Wars are fought and won not by men alone, but as Plutarch expressed it, "He who first called money the sinews of the state seems to have said this with special reference to war."

Those behind this bill seem to have little knowledge of the housing condition in this city in normal times. Then, too, there is evidently no thought given to the fact that hundreds of people would be driven out of their home, with no place to go, if a block is taken during this war.

We who live permanently in the District are in a similar position to those who live under a dictator, with this difference, they, at least, choose their own dictator, who maintains his power by their support, whereas here in the District we are ruled by not one dictator, but by several, and not one of our own choosing. We are thus governed by those in whose election to office we had no part. They can do with us as they will, set the amount of taxes we must pay, limit and restrict our lives by various rules and regulations. They can even take our homes and churches from us and there is absolutely nothing we can do about it but lift our voice in protest against such a miserable situation, which is indeed like a voice crying in the wilderness.

REV. ALFRED H. TERRY.

Washington, Feb. 14.

Franz Von Papen

By Paul Winkler

Junker Leader

THE BIG THREE statement issued from Yalta provides cold comfort for any Prussian or Pan-German planners of the stripe of ex-Chancellor Franz von Papen, who has lately been reported from various capitals, in what appeared to be trial balloons, to be seeking to establish contact with the Allies, with the view of setting up a government of surrender in Germany. But if the Crimean meeting would seem to have left little but a desperate hope for such Germans, the chances were not much better before it either; so if the various rumors have some fact behind them, as is not at all improbable, it is to be expected that Papen will continue his efforts up to the very last minute.

According to one theory, it is in agreement with Hitler himself that Papen has under taken the role of peace emissary. Another version insists on the contrary that in undertaking this intrigue, Papen is in danger of being assassinated by the Nazis—who nearly got him in the blood purge of June 30, 1934. Then there is a report that Frau von Papen and her two daughters were arrested by the advancing Allies near their family estate in the Saar—which would be a curious place for a supposedly well-informed German citizen to be remaining.

One thing may be considered as certain: If Papen is really attempting to approach the Allies, he is doing so with the full approval of the Junkers—that is, of the men who are the real powers behind German militarism, which, the Big Three have just stated, is to be eradicated as completely as Nazidom. Von Papen has been their man now ever since he realized after the last war, that his feudal class has always pulled the strings from behind the scenes, no matter who stood before them, whether it was Hitler, the Weimar Republic or the Kaiser. His prime devotion has gone to them although he is not himself a Junker.

Junkers and Hitler

Even before he allied himself definitely with the Junker organizations, Papen was already in the service on the Pan-German conspirators. His activities as a German superspy and as head of German sabotage in the United States up to 1916, cloaked behind his official position as attache of the German Embassy, are still well remembered. His chief assignment then was to hinder manufacture of armaments for the Allies by the United States.

It is true that when Hitler began to forge to the front in German politics, Papen looked upon him as a competitor rather than an ally. In June, 1932, when Papen became Chancellor, he thought he could remain securely in that office with the backing of President Hindenburg and the Junkers, which would have meant keeping Hitler out. Perhaps it is fortunate that he did not succeed, for his more urbane manners and methods might have fooled the world concerning Germany's intentions longer than Hitler's ruthless and brutal approach. Yet he was aiming at the same German world conquest as Hitler, and during hi tenure of office, from June to December, 1932, he laid the groundwork for the future by preparing a constitutional change which would have given him quasi-dictatorial powers and would have put an end to the parliamentary system.

At that same time, Papen had begun to spread the doctrine of a rebirth of the Holy Roman Empire—by which he meant a German-controlled world empire. He did not have to take this idea from Hitler. He had developed it independently—or, rather, both he and Hitler owed their ideologies to the same Prussian sources whose doctrine of aggression went back for centuries.

Helped Hitler Up

When, in January 1939, he realized that Hitler was the stronger man and that his machiavellian ruthlessness was perhaps a better weapon to put at the service of German ambition than his own guile, he stepped aside to allow Hitler to execute the same plan he himself would have carried out. Feeling unequal to a contest with the violent Nazi leader, he preferred to ally himself with him rather than to risk his enmity. That alliance became definite with the then secret meeting in Cologne at the home of banker Kurt von Schroeder, financier of Ruhr industry, who agreed—on Papen's presentation of Hitler—to put behind him the resources of the industrialists and the associated Junkers and army chiefs who worked hand-in-glove with them.

In Justice to Papen, it must be said that his personal ambition was subordinated to his devotion to the cause of German world domination. Therefore, once Hitler had proved himself the stronger. Papen served him faithfully as the leader who would best serve to carry Germany's standard forward. But today, if he (in agreement with the Junkers) finds Hitler no longer an asset for Germany's aims but only a liability, he should by the same token be quite willing to throw him overboard in the hope, by sacrificing the leader, of saving the cause.

It is quite possible that this faithful servant of the policy of world domination by Germany will be put forward by the Pan-German group as a possible successor to Hitler. But if he is, the democracies should not forget that he will be no less dangerous than the Fuehrer.

Today and Tomorrow

By Walter Lippmann

Germany After Yalta

IT IS WELL understood that the occupation of Germany will rest at the beginning on an agreement among the Allies, to be known probably as the Surrender Instrument, which they will proclaim to the German people. This procedure conforms to the formula of unconditional surrender but even if that formula had not been adopted, the German situation would in itself have brought the same result. The reason is simply that the Nazi regime is incapable of having a legitimate successor: there can be no German government capable of agreeing to an armistice, and authorized to sign any agreement on behalf of the German people.

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German government will, of course, have eventually to be recreated. But none will exist when organized hostilities end. There will be only military commanders who can surrender those troops which still obey their commander, and those cities or districts which they happen to control. This is the inherent and inevitable result of the Nazi system which has destroyed the constitutional means by which a non-Nazi government could replace the Nazi.

THIS PRESENTS the Allies with a situation which is without precedent. To deal with it the Allies will have to evolve a code of principles to guide them, and it may be useful to speculate on some of the principles of such a code.

Thus, there will have to be almost immediately a beginning in the re-establishment of German government. The Allies can control but they cannot govern all the villages, cities, provinces, states. Nor can they, or will they, wish to assume the responsibility of meeting the terrible difficulties which the German people are bound to go through as a result of nazism, the war, the defeat, and the terms of settlement. That responsibility must as quickly as possible be made to rest on Germans.

It is reasonably evident that the restoration of German self-government will have to begin at the bottom, not at the top—that is to say, first of all in the villages, and then in the towns, and then in the big cities, and then in districts and provinces. No doubt there will soon, indeed immediately, have to be national administration of some services, for example the railroads. But this will be under direct allied command. In the localities, on the other hand, there will from the beginning need to be an increasing amount of self-government, in the sense that Germans will make decisions for Germans.

MANY DIFFICULT questions will arise as to whom the Allies should recognize as provisional authorities in local affairs. One condition for recognition might, it seems to me, be laid down. It is that no council will be allowed to govern unless it begins by passing an ordinance or law making it a crime within its jurisdiction under *German law* to violate the decrees for disarmament and demilitarization; and further, that no German may hold official position who does not take a personal oath to observe and to enforce the rules of disarmament.

This could usefully be extended to provide that the decrees of disarmament must be incorporated into the constitution of trade unions, the charters of industrial corporations and financial institutions, and of other societies and associations which apply for the privilege of operating, which claim the protection of the law. Thus disarmament will not remain a rule dictated by the conquerors but will become enmeshed with the legal structure of German society. In this way, not a few but the great mass of the Germans will be taught that to accept disarmament and to conduct any normal occupation are intimately connected. Above all, the truly peace-loving Germans will be armed with German laws, not merely with allied bayonets, in their struggle with the war party.

PRINCIPLES will have to be formulated to cover reparations. That is an enormously complex subject but we might tentatively consider as a first principle that that part of all the material and human resources of Germany which has been dedicated to waging war is at the disposal of the Allies for replacing the damage. The practical application of such a rule would not be easy. But as a first maxim of rough justice and of rough calculation there is much to be said for it.

Thus the Germans cannot claim that the Allies owe them a higher standard of life than they themselves accepted from Hitler. If, say, only forty per cent of their resources and effort were devoted to civilian needs, then the sixty per cent they devoted to war could justly be claimed for reparations. The Allies would be treating them no worse than Hitler treated them.

Actually, of course, the German economy will collapse and the Germans will not be able to produce anything like what they have produced during the war. Nevertheless, in deciding how to restore the German economy, it may be useful to have in mind the idea that there is a relation between what they have sacrificed to fight the war and what they may fairly be asked to sacrifice to make reparation to their victims.

Off the Record

By Ed Reed

"—And I ask you to convict this fearless, cold-blooded killer!"

The Washington Merry-Go-Round

By Drew Pearson

WHILE IN WASHINGTON recently Governor Dewey let leak the first real indication of how he regards the 1948 presidential campaign.

Speaking to a group of newspaper friends, Dewey said he has "no illusions about '48," and went on to point out that by 1948, there will doubtless be several prominent Republicans back from the wars who, with millions of other former servicemen supporting them, might make extremely effective candidates.

All this came out at the hush-hush dinner Dewey attended with a handful of Washington correspondents. Dewey really let his hair down, told the boys he would be no "pop-off" man, did not plan to issue statements on every national issue. Therefore he would not press to keep his position as titular head of the party. Dewey also said he planned very few speeches, would concentrate on doing the best job he knew how as Governor of New York.

Dewey was asked whether he had any regrets about the recently concluded campaign. He replied that he didn't. If he had it to do over again, he said, he would conduct it almost exactly the same way, with one exception—he felt he had made a mistake in blasting away so hard at the New Deal during the last weeks of the drive.

"If I had it to do over again," Dewey said, "I would concentrate more on presenting my own program and less on attacking the other fellow's."

MacArthur and Marines

THE BOYS IN THE PACIFIC long have known about the rivalry between General MacArthur and the United States Navy. Many are the wisecracks about MacArthur and the United States Marines, land arm of the Navy. However, in only one case so far as is known, has MacArthur ever come up against one of these jokes face to face.

It happened on one of the Philippine islands a few days after it was taken and when MacArthur was inspecting a battery of Marine artillery. Solemnly he passed from gun to gun, making no comment.

Then suddenly, as he came to one gun, he turned on the Marine lieutenant in command and let loose the most terrific dressing-down that young officer ever had received. The air was smoky with expletives. The lieutenant at first stood bewildered. The gun was carefully polished. Everything was in place. Then he looked a little closer. Beside the gun an enlisted man had placed a sign. It read:

"With the help of God
And a few marines,
MacArthur retakes
The Philippines."

The lieutenant thought at first that he would be busted, but several days passed and nothing happened. He is now back in the United States and the story can be told.

Fuel for John L. Lewis

ADMINISTRATION LEADERS TRYING TO WARD OFF a Nationwide coal shutdown on April 1, were upset the other day to see that their friends in OPA had given a price hike to two chains of coal company stores, thus adding fuel to John L. Lewis' argument that prices have gone up.

The price increase went to the Koppers Company Stores and the Island Creek Stores, both operating extensively in Pennsylvania and West Virginia. Permission to charge higher prices came about through a change in category, whereby they were allowed to switch from the chain store to the non-chain store category which permits a charge of higher prices.

Significant point is that the OPA regional director in Pittsburgh recommended against the price increase. But in Washington, Geoffrey Baker, head of the OPA food price section, and former official with General Foods, recommended that the regional office be overruled.

However, OPA top men may be overruled in turn. Economic Stabilizer Vinson has been asked to investigate the whole thing. What Hard Fuels Administrator Ickes will be up against in March is the certain demand of John L. Lewis for higher coal wages. Last year Ickes had a survey made of food prices in the coal regions and found that they had increased. This was one reason why he supported part of Lewis' demand for higher wages. However, he doesn't want any additional price hikes to be registered this year.

Capitol Chaff

CORRECTIONS: In recently reporting that the late Senator Atlee Pomerene of Ohio succeeded Charles G. Dawes as "chairman" of the RFC, this column should have listed Dawes as "president" of the RFC. Eugene Meyer, jr., then governor of the Federal Reserve Board, was also ex-officio chairman of the RFC, retiring voluntarily early in 1932. Following his retirement as chairman and Dawes' resignation as president, the two jobs were rolled into one, and Atlee Pomerene became chairman. Jesse Jones succeeded Pomerene. . . . Some time ago this columnist reported that Col. David K. Bruce, husband of Ailsa Mellon, had sent cables home from London through the OSS, ordering certain securities sold in the stock market. We have now learned that Colonel Bruce is the trustee of several charities, and that any cables he sent were purely to serve the public interest of these securities, rather than his own. Sincere apologies to the colonel. . . . Orchids to Gen. Jim Ulio and his associates in the Adjutant General's Office for the lightning speed with which they are bringing soldiers' mail back from the Philippines. A lot of it is getting back in less than a week. . . . Among the live-wire new Congressmen are two gentlemen from Kentucky—Earle Clements and Frank Chelf. . . . The man whom the women should thank for demanding reasonably priced children's clothes, underwear and cotton goods—and more of them—is Judge Fred Vinson. He has been plugging this with the textile industry for weeks and now has about succeeded.

Chandler Vs. Dewey in '48

WHILE GOVERNOR DEWEY LUNCHED WITH REPUBLICAN SENATORS on Capitol Hill, newsmen were surprised to see Democratic Senator "Happy" Chandler of Kentucky lingering on the outskirts of the party.

"What are you doing here, Senator?" they asked.

"Well, you see," replied the irrepressible "Happy," "I've never met Mr. Dewey and I wanted to meet the man who will run against me in 1948."

Note—Actually Chandler is thinking of running for Governor of Kentucky in 1946, a job which he held once before, and which he considers more powerful than that of United States Senator. It is possible that Louisville's up-and-coming young Mayor Wilson Wyatt may run against him.

Under the Domes

SINCE APPEARING BEFORE the Senate Military Affairs Committee to explain about the "A" priority for Elliott Roosevelt's dog, Maj. Gen. Harold George, head of the Army Transport Service, has a new excuse whenever he is late for an engagement. He says: "I had to see a man about a dog." . . . The Chicago Sun, one of the strongest supporters of Henry Wallace, has not been happy to learn that when Jesse Jones appeared recently at the National Press Club he was eulogized for about 10 minutes by Bascom Timmons, head of the Sun Bureau in Washington. Timmons is also correspondent for Jesse Jones' Houston Chronicle. . . . Representative Wright Patman of Texas has the perfect answer for Republicans with whom he might get into an argument. "Even taking your total electoral vote for the past four presidential elections you haven't elected a President," he says. Patman then adds up the Republican electoral vote for each election since 1932—59 in 1932, 8 in 1936, 82 in 1940, and 99 in 1944. "The total for four years is only 248," Patman concludes, "and you can't elect a President even once without 266 electoral votes."

Pearson Sues Pegler

New York, Feb. 16 (U.P.).—Drew Pearson and the Bell Syndicate today filed a libel suit against Westbrook Pegler in supreme court, asking $50,000 damages and charging that Pegler called him a "faker as a news reporter."

Pearson's complaint said Pegler made his charges on January 30, 1945, in his column in the New York Journal American and other newspapers.

Pearson's complaint read: "The defendant labeled the plaintiff a miscalled news broadcaster specializing in falsehood and smearing people with political and personal motivations, broadcasting lies for smearing purposes and charged that the plaintiff was malicious and unreliable as a news reporter and if asked to apologize for a mistake would aggravate the original falsehood; that he reported news without investigation or verification and that as a news reporter he was a faker."

Allied Mission Rushes Reich Control Plan

London, Feb. 16 (AP).—Pressed by the Big Three to speed up plans for suppressing Germany's aggressive powers forever, the European Advisory Commission is preparing to add the finishing touches to its blueprint for controlling future German economy.

France's recommendations, which are expected to be handed to the commission within the next few days, are reported to include:

1. Destruction of all German armament works.
2. Ban on production of aircraft engines and tight control on the import of other types of machinery.
3. Strict limitation on other war potential to a minimum.
4. Supervision of laboratories and research industries.
5. Confiscation of German-owned industries abroad.

The reported French proposals are practically identical with American recommendations previously submitted to the commission by Ambassador John Winant. British proposals also are believed to coincide. There were no indications that the Russian recommendations had yet been handed in.

The Big Three agreed in their Crimean declaration that they were determined "to eliminate or control all German industry that could be used for military production" and to "take in harmony such other measures in Germany as may be necessary to the future peace and safety of the world."

There was a growing belief in diplomatic quarters that the Soviets would ask that several million Germans be sent to Russia to help in reconstruction of the country.

OPA Challenges Sheriff's Authority In Truck Auction

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 16 (AP).—Whether a sheriff should obey State law and sell to the highest bidder at auctions, or observe OPA price ceilings, was put before Kentucky Court of Appeals in oral arguments today.

In 1943 Sheriff Pat H. Major of Christian County auctioned off a seized truck for $2,550, which was $1,172.46 above the OPA ceiling, to Lawrance A. Yonts of Rosewood, Muhlenburg County.

OPA's suit to enjoin the sheriff from violating Federal wartime regulations and to get $3,217.98 penalties—triple the excess—was dismissed by Judge Ira D. Smith in Christian Circuit Court.

Chester Bowles, OPA administrator, appealed the case here, his counsel declaring that to allow such prices, even at auctions, would "disrupt the uniform and speedy enforcement of price regulations."

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I was wounded in the left arm by the explosion but after floating for several hours a lifeboat in which was Overbeck floated my way.

"We picked up Cichi that night and the next day took Graef and Meyer off a raft. A Jap destroyer passed nearby but we were not molested. We had a 3-gallon jug of water and a can of biscuits in the boat. We rationed it and still had some left when we reached the China coast three days later."

Wilber said that he knew of no others besides the five in his boat who were rescued. He is home on furlough until March 15.

Md. Survivor Tells Of 'Hell-Hold' Escape

Baltimore, Feb. 16 (AP).—The terrible march of Bataan was "a picnic compared with two weeks spent in the 'hell-hold' of a Jap prison ship" before it was torpedoed by an Allied submarine last October with only five survivors thus far known of 1800 aboard en route from the Philippines to Japan.

Lieut. Robert S. Overbeck wasn't on Bataan—he was captured when Corregidor fell—but he was one of the five who lived to tell of "inhuman living conditions" on the Jap freighter and two of the five who were in the death march told him what they went through on the ship was much worse.

But for the fact that Oerbeck, 28, was a powerful swimmer and able to endure long enough to catch up with an abandoned Jap lifeboat being driven away by a strong wind, there possibly would have been no survivors among the Allied prisoners.

Back in his native Baltimore for the first time in seven years, Overbeck talked somewhat reluctantly today of the "terific heat, terrible thirst, stinking sanitary conditions, aching and cramped muscles, and sickness among non-complaining but suffering men" that went on for a fortnight.

There were 1800 men, Overbeck said, crammed into an area nine feet high, 50 feet wide and 90 feet long, divided into three tiers each three feet high. They couldn't even sit erect. They got only about two hands full of rice a day and had so little "dirty water" to drink they couldn't eat that.

Area Officer's Experiences Surpass Fiction

Lieut. Andrew M. Newman, USN, 409 Turner st., Chevy Chase, Md., has a "believe it or not" story to tell to his buddies in the South Pacific.

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First, he met his 17-year-old sailor son on one Pacific island and discovered that his brother whom he met later on another island had directed shellfire from American destroyers that protected the lieutenant as he went ashore with the invasion wave on Bougainville.

Lieutenant Newman, former police chief of the Montgomery County force, had no idea where his son, William, was serving in the Pacific until the boy walked in on his father at his post in the Admiralties. Young Newman is a radio aviation mechanic and turret gunner assigned to a carrier plane.

"Another surprise for me came to me a few months ago in Bougainville," Lieut. Newman said. "The first time we hit the beach of that island with the invading wave and took up quarters in foxholes our invasion was covered by shell fire from our destroyers. I thought no more of this until about a month later, one of the destroyers returned and anchored just off our beach. They sent a visual signal ashore to ask what outfits were there and I nearly dropped over when my younger brother, Commander John F. Newman, stepped ashore to greet me.

"His ship provided fire cover the night of our landing and it almost looked as if he came back to tell me about it. Neither of us had any idea we were fighting in the same area until signals told him my battalion was ashore."

The lieutenant's brother is now a captain in command of a destroyer squadron. He is a graduate of Annapolis. Lieut. Newman's family residing at the Chevy Chase address include his wife, Mrs. Kathryn S. Newman, and two other sons, Thomas, 16, and John 3d, 22.

A veteran of the first World War, Lieut. Newman was a civil engineer with the Bureau of Yards and Docks before going into active duty in 1943. He is a past commander of American Legion Bethesda Post No. 105.

Women Curb GIs Buying First Civies

The lady of the house just naturally doesn't trust her returned ex-GI when the time comes for him to make his first purchases of civilian clothes—that's the word from local clothing store clerks, who report the appearance of feminine convoys with almost every discharged soldier.

The idea presumably is to steer the prospective civilian's tastes away from too sharp a reversion to noisy checks and plaids, which might be expected after a few years in olive drab.

Other facts, ferreted out by Northwestern National Life Insurance Co.'s family economics bureau in the Middle West and verified by queries of local haberdashers, reveal that discharged GIs are in a great rush to return to mufti. They usually want alterations accomplished within "the next 10 minutes."

Most of them go in for quality, too—average is $45 for a suit, and they go to one store and buy as nearly complete an outfit as possible without shopping around. Also they like to pay cash, even if they can use charge accounts.

Despite the female hand in the velvet glove being used as a quieting influence, lively patterns are preferred. When a sweetheart is along and the customer specifies blue, the clerks envision wedding plans.

Youthful vets ordinarily have grown too much to get along with the suits they had before they went into the Army, and older ones say they gave their "civvies" to other members of the family when they enlisted. Hence it's a fresh start for almost all of them.

WILLIAMS

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get proper appropriations for the REA or proper authority for lending millions of dollars to the cooperative after antagonizing so many members of Congress.

Meanwhile, William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, has indorsed Senate confirmation of Williams as Rural Electrification administrator.

Chairman Thomas showed reporters yesterday a telegram from Green which said of Williams: "I admire his sterling character and qualifications."

Not So 'Comical'

Girl GI Saved Arrested as Saboteur Aide

With the First Army on the Western Front, Feb. 16 (U.P.).—A pretty German girl smiled as she approached an American MP who was standing in rainsoaked rubble near her home in Monschau. She saw fear spread over his face.

"Halt!" he cried. "A mine!"

There in her path, half-hidden under debris, were three deadly prongs from a mine left by the retreating Germans.

A few minutes later the 17-year-old Maria sat down in her home and began her daily letter to her SS sweetheart Peter.

Altogether Comical

"The American is altogether a comical soldier," she wrote. "He stands guard with an umbrella. I hate Americans. One thing they can't take away from us—we will start our new life under the old principles we have been taught. To live means to fight. Wait and see who laughs last."

Her letter told of roaring artillery guns blazing away nearby and of the MP outside her home.

"Today I almost rushed into a buried mine," she wrote. "But an American saved my life."

The next day as she was writing Peter, Maria noticed the same MP standing beneath her window. She smiled and waved her hand. He grinned back. Then she wrote Peter: "These Americans are afraid of us."

No Longer Smiling

A knock at the door interrupted Maria's letter writing. In walked an American Army officer and the same MP. Now he was not smiling.

"You're under arrest, Miss," said the officer sternly. "You've been linked with a German agent caught sabotaging."

She tried to hide the letters she had written to Peter but the MP grabbed them.

For months to come Maria will be guest of the American military police.

D. C. Motorists May Deduct 1944 Gas Taxes

District motorists may deduct District 1944 gasoline taxes of 3 cents a gallon from their Federal income tax this year, Washington I. Cleveland, of the District division of the American Automobile Association announced yesterday.

Other automobile deductions allowable to taxpayers who use the long form for making returns include registration fees, driver license fees, and personal property taxes, according to Cleveland. Deductions subject to certain limitations may be claimed for interest on money borrowed for purchase of an automobile, maintenance and depreciation costs on a passenger car used for business purposes, a casualty loss sustained by reason of damage to a passenger automobile, losses from outright sale of an automobile, the amount paid for insurance and finance charges.

The Federal use tax is deductible only when the car is used in operation of a trade or business or to produce income from rents, Cleveland pointed out. Federal gasoline taxes and other Federal excise taxes may not be deducted, since they are taxes imposed on the manufacturer, he said.

Detailed listing of automobile items deductible from the Federal income tax may be secured at the District A.A.A. office, 17th st. and Pennsylvania ave. nw.

Vandals Damage Henry Tombstone

Charlotte Courthouse, Va., Feb. 16 (AP).—Vandals tampered with the graves of Patrick Henry and that of his daughter, Laura Miller Carter, in the family burial ground at Red Hill last night.

The discovery was made today by officials of the Patrick Henry Memorial Foundation, who had inspected the graves yesterday and found them in good condition. This morning the officials discovered the Henry stone to have been lifted and only partially replaced. Both grave stones had been chipped when pried from their resting places, the foundation reported. It was immediately announced by the foundation that the grounds will be closed to the public until adequate resident supervision is available.

Bellinger Gets DSM

Award of the Distinguished Service Medal to Vice Admiral Patrick Nelson Lynch Bellinger for his services as commander of the Atlantic Fleet Air Force from March 1943 to November 1944 was announced today by the Navy. He is a native of Cheraw, S. C., and now lives at Earlehurst, Va.

Convoy Sinks 2 Subs, Keeps Pack at Bay

London, Feb. 16 (AP).—A big Allied convoy on the Russian run has returned intact after its powerful escort sank two enemy submarines and squelched other lurking U-boats and torpedo planes so effectively they were unable to launch a single attack, it was announced today.

It was the most determined attempt that the Germans had made in months to cut the northern shipping lane, the admiralty announced. The important convoy was tracked all the way to the Russian port and back. Three enemy torpedo planes were shot down and one Allied plane was lost.

The American and British merchantmen, screened by British and Canadian warships, were spotted by a German plane the second day out, said Comdr. G. B. Teale.

From then on the escort attacked everything that looked suspicious, and Teale said several other submarines were "undoubtedly damaged." The weather was so bad that U-boats did not appear until the journey neared an end.

It was on the second day out on the way home, the commander said, that 10 U-boats were spotted.

"One did not dive quickly enough," he said, "and got hit and damaged but was not sunk."

The U-boats ran, and the following day torpedo-bomber planes tried to attack, swooping over in pairs. That afternoon four U-boats again showed up and two were sunk.

The rest of the trip was uneventful except for a southwest gale, which was so fierce that the convoy speed was cut to 3 knots.

Storm Brews Over UNRRA Inactivity

By Alex Singleton

London, Feb. 16 (AP).—A storm over UNRRA was brewing tonight, with the strong possibility investigations would be precipitated in both the U. S. Congress and the British Parliament into the organization's failure to get relief work under way on a larger scale.

Within a week UNRRA has drawn sharp criticism from opposite sides of the globe, with authoritative quarters insistent that the chief difficulty lies in a lack of understanding between UNRRA and the Army.

Congress and Parliament are the two chief sources of revenue for the mercy agency, once envisioned as the first major test for international nonmilitary collaboration.

[Herbert H. Lehman, director general of UNRRA, last night declined to comment on the reports from London. —Editor's note.]

Among UNRRA personnel from the United States belief mounted that Congress, probably through the House Appropriations and the Senate Finance Committees, would call for a thoroughgoing inquiry before approving the $550,000,000 balance of $1,350,000,000 American contribution.

Here in London, the Laborite Daily Herald bluntly demanded "What has gone wrong—why should this vast organization stnad paralyzed in an hour when its activities should be mounting to a peak?"

"Action there must be," the paper said in an editorial. "As a matter of the utmost urgency, the whole setup and operations of UNRRA must be overhauled. The condition of liberated peoples urgently requires it, the honor of the United Nations demands it."

This criticism followed a statement by Dr. H. V. Evatt, Australia's minister of external affairs, that "something of a crisis is emerging in relation to UNRRA's functions."

"It must be admitted by any candid observer," Dr. Evatt said yesterday at the opening of a six-day meeting of the Far Eastern Committee of UNRRA at Sydney, "that there are signs of frustration and disillusionment. Despite much elaborate organization, UNRRA has not functioned to any extent in Europe."

Earlier in the week M. A. Lamping, representing the Netherlands, and Vicomte de Thieusies, delegate for Belgium, told UNRRA's European committee that their people were first led to believe that they could expect everything from UNRRA, but that subsequently they came to the conclusion after liberation that they could expect nothing.

Meanwhile, UNRRA's hands remain tied, especially in the cases of France and Belgium. As British Minister of State Richard K. Law pointed out in the House of Commons Wednesday, the organization can enter a liberated country only upon the invitation of its government. Neither France nor Belgium has invited UNRRA.

Generally, it is believed due to a combination of reasons—partly national pride, with fear that sovereignty would be impaired if an international organization were called in to handle relief, and partly belief that they will be able to obtain more food and other necessities by dealing directly with the source of supplies and paying for them out of their own treasuries.

Complicating the situation is a conflict between civilian and military demands for many of the "must" items. There is also a lack of transportation.

Oakies Are Divorced

Hollywood, Feb. 16 (U.P.).—Actress Venita Varden was granted a divorce today from Jack Oakie, screen comedian, declaring tearfully that "this time it's for keeps."

In 1938, Miss Varden obtained an interlocutory decree but became reconciled with Oakie before it became final.

The Gallup Poll

Public Finds it Hardest to Cut Down on Sugar, Butter, Meat

By George Gallup

Director of American Institute of Public Opinion

Princeton, N. J., Feb. 16.—Tightened rationing in individual sugar allowances and butter hits the American people where it hurts most.

Among the world's heaviest sugar consumers, people in the United States are finding it harder to cut down on sugar than on any other product on the list of wartime rationed products. Butter ranks second on the list, meat third.

This does not mean people are unwilling to make the sacrifice, for more than a year ago a large majority in a survey said they would be willing if necessary to have rationing extend into the postwar period in order to give food to people in Europe who need it.

In the survey, people were limited to one item. The question they were asked was:

"What one product that is now rationed do you find it hardest to cut down on or get along without?"

Here is the list, in the order of the frequency with which the item was mentioned:

1. Sugar	20%
2. Butter	19
3. Meat	19
4. Gasoline	10
5. Shoes	5
6. Canned Foods	2
7. Fuel Oil	1
8. Cheese	*

*Less than 1 per cent.

From a cold, statistical point of view, there is little difference among the top three items. Perhaps more significant is the fact that when Americans think of rationing they are inclined to think in terms of food, since five of the eight items in the list above are foods.

Women are more inclined to name sugar and butter than men, although these items are near the top of the list for both men and women.

A greater proportion of men than women mention meat and gasoline when they are asked to name the rationed item they miss most.

And, as might be expected, there are roughly two women for every man who mention shoes in reply to the question.

Though not officially rationed, cigarettes turn up in the replies. Other items mentioned are coal, nylons, liquors, building materials, automobile tires, farm machinery.

In spite of the fact that the question limits the choice to one item, field reporters encountered a good many who threw up their hands, figuratively, when asked to make a choice. Their replies: "Everything!"

Women Sought As Part-Time Bus Operators

A plea for part-time bus drivers was made by the Capital Transit Co. yesterday.

With almost 150 buses out of service because of lack of drivers and the seemingly impossible task of replacing the 454 drivers lost last year, part-time drivers, both men and women, are being solicited, a company spokesman explained.

"This offer should be especially attractive to women who could adequately perform home duties, and then use the rest of their time in this vital industry," he said.

The official further said that the gasoline situation of the company is adequate, and that the repair department, with most of the mechanics working overtime, is operating at a high enough standard to repair all broken equipment.

"That leaves our main problem that of drivers," he continued. "When we receive complaints from passengers, which we often do, we can only explain that our service is spread thin because we have taken a proportionate number of buses off of each route."

From the Arlington and Fairfax Motor Transportation Co. comes a plea, not for drivers, but for mechanics.

"We will receive ten new buses in the next three months and have enough drivers to staff them," said Franklin K. Lane, president.

Col. Carlson Approved For Limited Duty

Escondido, Calif., Feb. 16 (AP).—Lieut. Col. Evans F. Carlson, famed onetime leader of Marine raiders, today revealed that a medical board has approved his return to limited duty

He is convalescing at his ranch home from a shattered arm bone suffered when a Japanese bullet struck him while he was attempting to rescue a wounded enlisted man at Saipan.

Troop 83 Leading in Post's Scout Paper Salvage Drive

Results of the first two weeks of The Washington Post-sponsored local February Boy Scout Salvage Drive were announced yesterday by the D. C. Salvage Committee.

Troop 83, led by Scoutmaster Leroy C. Swab, is in front with 16,550 pounds of waste paper.

The troops are trying to collect the most salvage in the February drive in order to be declared one of the 10 winners of the offer of an all-day trip March 17 to York, Pa., to visit the Schmidt & Ault Paper Co. with expenses paid by The Post. The winning troop in each of the 10 districts will select one boy for the trip.

Meanwhile, 15 new packs and troops for the first time have registered to join in future salvage drives. They signed in time, however, to take part in this month's campaign.

The following are the numbers of the new troops and their leaders: Troop 22, Clay W. Medine; Troop 93, G. A. Galligan; Pack 94, A. G. Hall; Troop 95, John E. Lawyer; Troop 98, Louis F. Raeder; Troop 102, Harvey J. Butler; Troop 106, John McLaughlin; Troop 110, Wilston A. Brown; Pack 130, C. W. Johnson; Troop 144, F. R. Harris; Troop 222, Harold J. Coop; Troop 244, Charles P. Shaw; Pack 250, A. H. Hausrath; Troop 295, James W. Monroe; Pack 534, R. A. Hodges.

Capital Stores Lead Region In Sales Rise

By S. Oliver Goodman

Washington stores led the entire Fifth Federal Reserve District in percentage of sales increase in the week ended February 10, it was learned yesterday.

Seven reporting department stores here showed a 28 per cent gain in sales over the same week last year, according to the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond. At the same time Baltimore stores showed a 23 per cent gain and the Fifth District showed an average upturn of 20 per cent.

For the four weeks ended February 10 local sales averaged 16 per cent higher and the Fifth District likewise showed a climb of 16 per cent over the same 1944 period.

Improved weather conditions and excellent consumer response to new merchandise displays brought increased retail volume this week, Dun & Bradstreet said yesterday.

"While trade conditions varied," the agency said, "moderated temperatures favorably influenced the purchasing of seasonal lines, particularly the advanced buying of women's apparel and millinery.

"Shortages continued to exert a definite influence on retail habits. Departments handling white goods and other staples were crowded. Main floor departments similarly enjoyed a good volume as activity was fairly well distributed. Retail inventories remained low. New shipments were quickly taken up by the public."

Business Briefs Of D. C. Interest

Equitable Life Assurance

New insurance purchased from the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States in 1944 aggregated $609,026,000, made up of $380,375,000 in individual policies and $228,651,000 in group insurance, Thomas I. Parkinson, president, said yesterday in his annual report.

Life insurance owned by policyholders of the Equitable stood at a new record high of $8,897,000,000, a gain of $452,175,000 for the year. Assets of the company increased $318,329,000 in 1944, the largest gain in any year, standing at $3,507,000,000. Holdings of United States Government bonds totaled $1,563,317,000 at the end of 1944.

Wholesale Index at New Peak

The Bureau of Labor Statistics index of wholesale commodity prices hit a new wartime peak in the week ended February 10, rising to 104.9 per cent of the 1926 average.

The level for the week was 0.2 per cent above four weeks ago and 1.7 per cent higher than at the same time last year. It was 22.5 per cent above the level prevailing in the same week of 1937 and 10 per cent higher than the February, 1929, figure.

Mainly responsible for the increase were seasonally higher prices for fruits and vegetables—particularly oranges, apples, onions and potatoes—and fairly substantial increases in the livestock and poultry markets.

Earnings Statements

Reliable Stores Corp. and subsidiaries report consolidated net profit for 1944 of $787,803, equal to $2.21 a common share, against $865,062, or $2.47 a common share, in 1943.

Atlantic Coast Line Railroad reports net income for 12 months ended December 31 of $16,101,393, or $19.54 a common share, compared with $17,480,959, or $21.22 a common share, for the preceding 12 months.

General Cigar Co. reports for 1944 net income of $965,170, equal to $1.30 a share on the common, compared with $1,295,964, or $2 a share, in 1943. The net in 1944 is subject to renegotiation. Provision for contingencies in each year was $312,000.

Pennsylvania Water & Power Co. reports for 1944 net profit of $2,159,069, equal to $4.77 a common share, against $2,114,697, or $4.67 a share, in 1943.

Alpha Portland Cement Co. reports a net loss in 1944 of $71,314, compared with a profit of $138,230 in 1943. A deficit for the year of $662,670 was reported after payment of $591,356 in dividends, compared with a deficit of $453,126 in 1943 after paying the same amount in dividends.

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Quotations on the New York Stock Exchange

By the Associated Press

Total stock sales approximately 900,000 shares; previous day, 1,870,000; week ago, 1,179,520; year ago, 669,973; two years ago, 896,750: January 1 to date, 59,207,335; year ago, 28,973,978; two years ago, 34,569,361.

Dow-Jones Stocks

New York, Feb. 16.—

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	
30 ind.	158.08	158.82	157.57	158.23	—0.01
20 rails	51.34	51.63	50.91	51.22	
15 utils.	28.18	28.29	28.07	28.19	+0.04
65 stocks	99.22	99.51	98.94	99.32	+0.01

Transactions in stocks used in averages today: Industrials, 93,600; rails, 195,980; utilities, 118,100; 65 stocks, 407,680.

	Sales. Add 00	High	Low	Close	Net Ch'ge
Abbott Lb	3	63	63	63	— ¼
ACF-Brill Mot	31	12⅞	12⅝	12⅝	— ⅛
Adams Exp	2	15⅝	15¼	15⅝	+ ⅜
Addressog-Mult	1	24⅝	24⅛	24⅝	+ ⅜
Air Reduction	29	44⅞	43½	44	— ¼
Alaska Juneau	31	7¼	7⅛	7¼	
Allegh Corp	84	3⅝	3½	3½	
Allegh pf	66	42⅞	41⅝	41⅝	+ ⅛
Allegh pr pf	2	63½	63½	63½	
Allegh Lud Stl	72	31⅝	31½	31½	
Allen Indust	6	16¼	16	16¼	
Al Chem & Dye	7	160¼	159½	162	+ 1½
Allied Kid	16	17¼	17	17¼	+ ⅛
Allied Mills	6	32¼	32	32	— ⅛
Allied Stores	20	22	21⅞	22	
Allis-Ch Mfg	25	45¾	44⅝	45	— ⅜
Alls-Ch Mfg pf	2	118½	118½	118½	
Amal Leather	4	5	4⅞	5	
Amerada Pet	9	123⅛	122½	122⅝	— ⅜
Am Ag Ch Del	3	29	29	29	— ⅛
Am Airlines	12	44⅜	44	44	— ⅛
Am Bank Note	20	26⅝	26	26⅛	— ⅛
Am Bosch	8	18⅜	18⅛	18⅛	
Am Brake Shoe	4	46¾	46½	46¾	— ⅛
Am Cable & R	28	12⅞	12¾	12¾	
Am Can	18	94	92	94	+ 2
Am Car & Fdy	2	45¾	44	44	
Am Car & F pf	6	105	103½	104	— ½
Am Ch & Cable	12	29	28½	29	— ⅛
Am Colortype	1	16⅛	16	16⅛	+ ⅛
Am Crystal Sug	4	19	19	19	
Am Distill	13	32⅞	32	32	— ⅛
Am Encaus Til	6	4⅜	4⅜	4⅜	
Am European	9	14¾	14½	14⅝	
Am For Pow	21	2	1⅞	1⅞	
Am&FP $6 pf	1	92½	92½	92½	+ 1
Am&FP $7 pf	5	98	97¾	97¾	
Am F&P 2 pf	21	24⅝	24	24	
Am-Hawaii SS	4	41¾	41	41¼	— ⅜
AmH & Leather	6	8⅜	8	8	
Am Home Prod	1	74	74	74	
Am Ice	1	9¾	9¾	9¾	
Am Internat	12	10⅝	10⅜	10⅜	
Am Invest Ill	1	6⅜	6⅜	6⅜	
Am Locom	50	33¾	33¼	33¼	— ⅜
Am M & Fdy	16	24¼	24	24¼	+ ⅛
Am M & Met	1	14⅛	14	14⅛	
Am Metal	29	30⅜	29¾	30	— ⅛
Am Pow & Li	42	3¾	3⅝	3⅝	
Am P&L $6 pf	16	71¾	70¾	71	
Am P&L $5 pf	1	66⅜	65⅞	66⅛	+ ⅛
Am Rad&SS	192	14⅝	14⅛	14⅜	
Am Roll Mill	45	18⅞	18⅜	18⅜	
Am Saf Razor	3	20	19¾	19¾	
Am Seating	3	22⅜	22	22	
Am Smelt & R	13	44⅛	43¾	44	+ ⅛
Am Stl Fdrs	29	33¼	32⅝	32⅞	— ⅛
Am Stores	18	18⅛	18	18⅛	
Am Stove	3	26⅝	26	26⅜	
Am Sugar Ref	50	43¾	43½	43½	— ⅛
Am Tel & Tel	30	163½	163¼	163⅜	
Am Tobacco	6	71	70¾	71	
Am Tob B	10	71	70¾	71	
Am Type Fdrs	1	3⅜	3⅜	3⅜	
Am Viscose	8	47¾	47½	47⅝	
Am Water Wks	74	9¾	9¼	9¼	— ⅛
Am Woolen	6	15⅞	15½	15⅝	
Am Wool pf	4	114	112	112	— 1
Am Zinc L&S	26	6⅜	6¼	6¼	
Anaconda Cop	64	32⅞	32¼	32⅜	
Anchor Hock Gl	2	28¼	27¾	28¼	
A P W Prod	4	5¾	5½	5¾	
Arch-Dan-M	1	54⅝	54⅝	54⅝	
Armour & Co	146	8¾	8½	8½	
Armour Co pf	1	114	114	114	— 1
Armstrong Cork	6	47½	46½	47	
Arnold Const	14	13¼	12¾	13	
Arnold Corp	28	12⅝	12	12	
Assd Dry Goods	2	19¼	19	19¼	— ⅛
Atch T & S F	32	82	80¾	80¾	— 1
Atl Coast Line	36	61⅜	60¾	60¾	— ⅝
Atl G&W Indies	1	3⅜	3⅜	3⅜	
Atl Refining	34	36⅛	35⅝	36⅛	+ ⅛
Atlas Corp	61	16⅜	16	16¼	
Atlas Pow pf	1	116	116	116	
Aust Nichols	2	11⅝	11½	11⅝	
Autocar Co	1	20¼	20¼	20¼	
Aviation Corp	118	6⅞	6⅝	6⅝	
Bald Loco ct	32	30	29⅜	29⅜	— ⅛
Balt & Ohio	318	15⅜	14⅞	15⅛	+ ⅛
Balt & Ohio pf	132	28	26⅝	27¼	
Bangor & Ar	2	3	3	3	
Barber Asph	43	38	37	37½	— ⅛
Barker Bros	1	24	23¾	24	
Barnsdall Oil	131	24	23¼	23¼	— ⅝
Bath Ir Wks	39	23¼	23	23¼	+ ⅛
Bayuk Cigars	5	36⅜	36	36⅛	— ⅛
Beatrice Cream	6	41¾	40½	41¼	+ ⅝
Beech Aircraft	9	13⅜	13	13	
Belding-Hem	7	13⅛	13	13	
Bell Aire	2	15	14¾	14¾	— ⅛
Bendix Aviat	17	54⅞	54¼	54⅜	
Bendix Int Ln	4	24	24	24	
Best & Co	3	40	40	40	— ⅛
Best Foods	11	18¼	17⅞	17⅞	
Beth Steel	80	72¼	71½	71⅝	— ⅜
Bigelow-Sanf	1	54	54	54	
Black & Decker	8	23¾	23¼	23¼	— ⅛
Blaw-Knox	29	15⅛	15	15⅛	
Bliss & Laugh	2	22	22	22	
Boeing Airp	72	20⅜	20	20⅜	+ ⅛
Bohn Al & Br	1	59	59	59	
Bond Stra	2	45⅛	45	45⅛	
Bond Stra pf	1	117½	117½	117½	
Borden Co	16	35⅛	35	35⅛	
Bore-Warner	16	41	40½	40⅝	
Boston & Me	8	7	7	7	
Bower Roll Bear	1	19½	19½	19½	
Brad Aircraft	20	19	19	19	
Bridgeport Br	23	12¾	12½	12⅝	— ⅛
Briggs Mfg	42	41¼	40¾	41	
Bristol-Myers	3	51	50¾	51	
Bklyn Un Gas	5	25⅜	25⅛	25⅜	
Brunswick-Balke	16	28⅝	28	28⅜	
Bucyrus-Erie	24	15⅜	15¼	15⅜	
Budd Mfg	62	7⅜	7⅛	7⅛	— ⅛
Budd Mfg $5 pf	2	78¾	78¾	78¾	
Budd Wheel	29	14¼	14	14¼	
Buffalo Forge	4	27⅛	26¾	27⅛	+ ⅛
Bullard Co	8	22⅛	22	22⅛	+ ⅛
Bulova Watch	5	51½	51	51½	+ ⅜
Burling Mills	6	46¼	45⅝	45⅝	— ⅝
Burr Add Mach	54	15⅛	15	15⅛	
Burrough Adm	14	8½	8⅜	8⅜	
Butler Bros	1	15⅛	15⅛	15⅛	
Butte Cop & Z	17	3¾	3⅝	3⅝	
Byers A M Co	50	19½	18⅜	18⅜	— ⅛
Byron Jackson	7	24¾	24¾	24¾	
Calif Packing	3	31⅞	30⅝	31⅛	+ ⅛
Callahan Z-Ld	9	1⅞	1⅞	1⅞	
Calumet & Hec	42	8	8	8	
Campbell Wy	8	24½	23¾	23¾	— ⅛
Can Dry Ginger Ale	15	23⅝	23	23⅛	— ⅜
Can Dry pf	1	111	111	111	
Canad Pacific	185	13⅞	13⅝	13⅝	
Can on Mills	1	51	51	51	
Carnation Co	1	33½	33½	33½	
Carrier Corp	55	28⅜	28	28⅛	— ⅛
Carrier Corp pf	2	72	69¾	72	+ 3
Carriers & Gen	13	6¼	6	6¼	
Case (J I) Co	1	39½	40	40	+ ½
Caterpil Tractor	11	51	50	50	— ⅜
Celanese Corp	15	43	42	42	— 1
Celanese 1st pf	1	106½	106½	106½	
Celotex Corp	17	16⅝	16⅜	16⅜	— ⅛
Cent Aguirre	40	22	21⅞	21⅞	— ⅛
Cent Foundry	14	6	5⅞	5⅞	
Cent R R N J	16	13½	12⅞	12⅞	— ⅜
Cent Vlol Sug	4	28½	27¾	28	+ ⅜
Cent Rib M	4	12	11⅞	11⅞	
Cerro de Pas	15	36⅜	36	36½	+ 1
Certain-teed Prod	94	8¾	8⅜	8⅜	
Champ Paper & F	3	34⅝	34⅜	34⅜	— ⅛
Checker Cab	8	5⅜	5⅛	5⅛	— ⅛
Ches & Ohio	33	53¼	52⅞	53⅛	
Chi & E Ill	9	7¾	7¾	7¾	
Chi & E Ill A	20	18	17	17	— ⅛
Chi Grt West	20	7¼	7	7¼	
Chi Grt W pf	13	26⅜	26	26	— ⅛
Chi Mail Order	9	21⅞	21½	21⅝	
Chi & N W	2	28¾	28¼	28¼	— ⅛
Chi & N W pf	95	60⅝	58⅝	60	+ 1
Chi Pneu Tool	18	25	24¾	24¾	
Chi Pn T cv pf	53	53	53	53	— ¼
Chi Rock I & P	1	17	17	17	
Chick Cot Oil	2	17½	17½	17½	
Childs Co	65	8¼	7¾	7¾	— ⅛
Chrysler Corp	108	103¼	101	102	— ¾
Cities Serv Pwr & Lt	1	22¾	22¾	22¾	— ⅛
City Stores	13	12	12	12	
Clark Equip	11	59½	59½	59½	+2
Clev El Illum	1	111½	111½	111½	
Clev Graph Bron	1	37	37	37	
Climax Molyb	8	36⅜	36⅛	36⅛	— ⅛
Cluett Peabody	9	39⅞	39	39½	
Coca-Cola	2	137	136½	137	+ 1
Coca-Cola pf	3	204	204	204	
Collins & Aik	4	40¼	40	40	
Col Fuel & Ir	9	27	26½	26½	— ⅛
Col B'cast A	5	37½	37	37½	+ ⅛
Col B'cast B	3	36⅜	36	36⅜	+ ⅛
Col G & El	193	6⅝	6½	6⅝	
Col G & E 6% pf	5	95	94¾	94¾	— ¼
Col Pict	15	24⅞	24¼	24¼	— ⅜
Col Carbon	4	103	102	103	+ 2
Coml Credit	1	23½	23½	23½	
Coml Credit pf	1	107	107	107	
Coml Invest Tr	7	46⅛	46	46	— 1
Coml Solvents	107	18¾	18½	18½	
Com'wlth Edis	7	29¼	29⅛	29⅛	— ⅛
Com'wlth & So	273				
Com & South pf	10	93⅜	93	93⅛	
Conde Nast	3	24¼	24	24¼	
Consol-Nairn	5	20⅛	20⅛	20⅛	
Cons Coppermin	44	4¼	4	4¼	
Cons Edis	45	27	26¾	26¾	— ⅛
Cons Edison pf	9	107½	107	107	— ⅛
Consol Film Ind	10	6	5⅞	6	
Cons F Ind pf	14	30⅜	30¼	30¼	— ⅛
Cons Laundries	4	13⅞	13¾	13¾	— ⅛
Cons Nat Gas	13	36⅛	35⅞	36	+ ⅛
C R R Cuba pf	11	22⅜	22	22⅛	+ ⅛
Cons Vultee	72	20⅞	20½	20⅝	— ⅛
Cons Vultee pf	7	27	26½	26½	— ⅛
Consol Oil	21	10⅜	10⅛	10⅛	— ⅛
Consol Coal pf	2	50¼	50¼	50¼	
Container Corp	5	29¾	29¾	29¾	— ⅛
Cont Baking	19	9	8⅞	8⅞	
Cont Can	24	42⅞	42¼	42¼	— ⅛
Cont Diam Fib	6	12⅜	12⅜	12⅜	— ⅛
Cont Ins	12	51	49¾	51	+ 1
Cont Motors	104	11	10⅞	10⅞	
Cont Oil Del	81	14⅛	13¾	13¾	— ⅜
Cont Steel	4	33¾	33¾	33¾	— ⅛
Cooper-Bess	11	19⅜	18⅞	18⅞	— ⅛
Copperweld Stl	5	14⅜	14¼	14⅜	
Corn Products	3	62¼	62¼	62¼	— ⅛
Cornell-Dub El	12	21¾	20¾	20¾	— ⅝
Cotv Inc	16	6⅞	6¾	6¾	
Coty Internat	9	4⅛	4	4⅛	
Crane Co	28	31⅛	31	31	— ⅛
Cream of Wh	8	27	26¾	26¾	— ⅛
Crosley Corp	10	36¾	36	36	— ⅛
Crn Cork of S	12	43	42	43⅜	+ ⅛
Crown Zellerbach	9	22⅜	22	22⅜	+ ⅛
Crucible Steel	31	44⅛	43¼	43¾	— ⅛
Crucible Stl pf	23	95½	93½	95⅛	+2
Cub-Am Sugar	37	18⅜	18⅛	18⅛	
Cudahy Pack	9	28¾	28	28	
Cuneo Press	3	22	21¾	21¾	— ⅛
Curtis Publish	86	11¼	11	11	— ⅛
Curtis Pub pr pf	3	62	61¾	61¾	
Curtiss-Wright	223	6⅝	6⅛	6⅜	+ ⅛
Curtis-Wr A	20	19⅜	19⅛	20	— ⅛
Cutler-Hammer	17	28⅝	28½	28½	— ⅛
Davega Strs pf	1	24	24	24	+ ⅛
Davison Chem	21	19⅜	19	19¼	— ⅛
Decca Records	1	36⅜	36⅛	36⅛	— ⅛
Deere & Co	28	43¼	42⅜	42⅜	— ⅞
Deere & Co pf	2	37½	37½	37½	
Deisel-Wem-Gil	3	24⅛	24	24⅛	+ ⅛
Del & Hudson	28	48	46¾	46¾	— 1⅛
Del Lack & W	91	10	9⅝	9⅝	— ⅛
Detroit Edison	16	22⅜	22⅛	22⅛	— ⅛
Devoe & Ray A	1	38⅜	38⅛	38⅛	— ⅛
Diamond Match	21	36¾	36⅛	36⅛	— ⅝
Diam Match pf	2	42⅜	42⅜	42⅜	+ ⅛
Diam T Motor	8	20	19¾	19⅞	— ⅛
Dist Corp-Seag	5	44⅞	44	44	—1
Dixie Cup	17	30	30	30	
Doehler Jarvis	27	21	20⅝	20⅝	
Dome Mines	23	24⅛	24¼	24¼	— ⅛
Douglas Aircraft	22	70⅜	69½	69½	— ⅞
Dow Chem	14	131¼	129⅛	131¼	+2½
Dresser Indust	17	60⅛	58¾	59	— 1⅛
Dunhill Int	1	13⅜	13⅜	13⅜	
Duplan Corp	2	24½	24¼	24½	+ ⅛
du Pont de N	19	162¾	161¼	161¼	— ⅝
du Pont pf	2	127	127	127	
Eagle Pich Ld	20	16	15⅝	15⅝	+ ⅛
Eastern Air L	20	41	40½	40¾	— ⅛
East S Stl	14	21⅜	20¾	21	+ 1
Eastman Kodak	1	178	178	178	— 1
Eaton Mfg	4	55	54½	55	+ 1
Edis Bros Strs	11	24⅛	23¾	24⅛	+ ⅛
Elastic Stop N	18	11⅝	11⅛	11⅛	— ⅛
Elec Auto-Lite	3	60¼	60⅛	60	+ ⅛
Elec Boat	35	15	14⅝	15	+ ⅛
El & Mus Ind	1	6⅜	6⅛	6⅜	+ ⅛
El Power & Lt	23	4¾	4¾	4¾	
El P&L $6 pf	1	109	109	109	+ 1
El P&L $7 pf	8	117	117	117	+ 1
El Storage Bat	2	50⅞	50⅜	50⅜	
Emerson El M	20	23⅝	23	23	— ⅛
Endicott-John	2	64½	64½	64½	— ⅛
Eng Pub Serv	182	6⅜	6⅛	6⅛	
Equit Off Bldg	7	2¼	2¼	2¼	— ⅛
Erie RR	212	14⅝	14¼	14⅜	
Erie RR pf A	4	73	73	73	+ 1
Eureka Clean	4	14⅜	14	14⅜	+ ⅛
Evans Products	9	18⅝	18½	18⅝	
Ex-Cello-O	12	46⅝	46¼	46⅜	+ ⅛
Exchange Buffet	3	7¼	7	7¼	+ ⅛
Fairbanks Morse	8	50	49½	49½	— ¼
Fajardo Sugar	6	30½	30	30½	+ ¼
Farns Tel & R	29	15⅝	15½	15⅝	+ ⅛
Fed Lt & Trac	4	20⅞	20¾	20¾	+ ⅛
Fed Mine & Sm	9	31½	30⅝	31½	+ ⅝
Fed Mogul	1	27	27	27	+ ⅛
Fed Mot Truck	18	11⅛	11⅛	11⅛	— ⅛
Federal D Strs	13	29½	29⅜	29½	
Ferro Enam	10	28¼	27⅞	28⅛	+ ⅛
Fid P Fire Ins	1	37	36	37	+ 1
Firestone T & R	6	59	58½	59	+ ⅛
First Nat Strs	2	45¼	45¼	45½	+ ⅛
Flintkote	36	29½	28⅝	28⅝	— ⅛
Florence Stove	3	32	32	32	— ⅛
Florsheim Sh A	3	32⅜	32	32⅜	+ ⅛
Follansbee St	6	7⅝	7⅝	7⅝	+ ⅛
Food Mach	6	71⅞	71½	71⅞	+ ⅛
Foster Wheeler	33	36	35	35⅛	— ⅛
Francisco Sug	3	16⅜	16⅜	16⅜	
Freeport Sulph	7	36	35⅛	36	
Fruehauf Tra	3	49⅞	49	49⅝	— ⅛
Gabriel Co	13	8½	8½	8½	
Gair Robert	23	6¼	6¼	6¼	
Gamewell Co	3	17½	17½	17½	— ⅛
Gardner-Denver	13	18⅞	18⅜	18⅝	— ⅛
Gar Wood Ind	39	8¼	8¼	8¼	
Gaylord Cont	2	26⅝	26⅝	26⅝	
Gen Am Invest	23	14	13⅞	14	
Gen Am Inv pf	6	106	107½	108	+2
Gen Am Trans	3	54	53¾	53¾	— ⅛
Gen Baking	19	9¾	9¼	9¼	— ⅛
Gen Bronze	39	21¾	21	21¾	
Gen Cable	24	7¾	7⅝	7⅝	
Gen Cable A	12	22⅞	22	22⅛	
Gen Cigar	21	39¼	38¾	39¼	
Gen Elec	77	40⅛	39¾	40	
Gen Foods	30	41¾	41½	41⅝	
Gen G & El A	1	3⅜	3⅜	3⅜	
Gen Motors	72	66⅝	66	66⅜	
Gen Mot pf	1	128⅝	128	128⅝	
Gen Out Advert	7	12	11⅞	12	
Gen Out Adv A	1	56¼	56¼	56¼	
Gen Prec Eq	11	26⅝	26	26	— ⅛
Gen Print Ink	6	1⅝	1⅝	1⅝	
Gen Pub Serv	78	2⅜	2⅜	2⅜	
Gen Ry Signal	18	36⅜	35⅝	35⅝	— ⅝
Gen Real & Util	1	5¼	5¼	5¼	
Gen Refract	29	25⅛	25	25	— ⅛
Gen Shoe	2	20⅜	20½	20½	+ ⅛
Gen Tel	5	27⅜	27⅜	27⅜	
Gen Time Inst	4	30½	30	30	— ⅛
Gen T & Rub	8	21⅛	21	21⅛	+ ⅛
Gillette Saf R	23	16	15⅝	15⅝	— ⅛
Gill Saf R pf	1	92½	92½	92½	
Gimbel Bros	11	23¾	23¾	23¾	— ⅛
Glidden Co	12	27⅝	27⅜	27⅜	— ⅛
Goebel Brew	11	4¼	4¼	4¼	
Goodall San	23	30	29⅝	30	
Goodrich (B F)	9	89½	89	89½	+ ⅛
Goodr (B F) pf	1	103¼	103¼	103¼	+ ⅛
Goodyear T & R	11	57⅞	57	57⅛	— ⅛
Goodyr T&R pf	1	111½	111½	111½	
Goth Bostery	2	14¼	14¼	14¼	
Graham-Paige M	134	4¼	4	4¼	— ⅛
Granby C Min	4	5¼	5¼	5¼	
Grand Union	6	21	20½	21	+ ⅛
Granite City Stl	37	15⅛	14⅝	15⅛	+ ⅛
Grant (W T)	8	40	39½	40	+ ⅛
Gt N Ir Ore ctf	35	15⅝	15⅛	15⅝	+ ⅛
Gt North Ry pf	33	49⅜	49	49⅜	
Gt W Sug	7	28⅝	28⅜	28⅝	
Gr on (H I)	7	17⅞	17⅝	17⅞	
Greyhound Cor	98	25⅛	25⅛	25⅛	+ ⅛
Greyriound pf	1	105½	105½	105½	
Grum Aire En	7	34½	34⅛	34⅛	— ⅜
Gu ntan Sugar	1	7⅜	7⅜	7⅜	
Gulf Mob & Oh	30	16⅞	16	16	— ⅛
Gulf M & O pf	10	62⅝	62	62	
Gulf Oil	45	52⅛	51⅜	51⅜	— ⅝
Hamil Watch	4	12	12	12	
Harb-Walker	21	21⅜	21	21⅛	— ⅛
Hat Corp Am A	12	10⅝	10⅜	10⅜	— ⅛
Hayes Indust	3	12½	12½	12½	+ ⅛
Hayes Mfg	28	17⅞	17⅝	17⅝	— ⅛
Hecht Co	1	22	22	22	
Hercules Motors	32	26½	26	26½	+ ⅛
Hercules Powder	1	88½	88½	88½	— ⅛
Hires (C E)	1	27¾	27¾	27¾	
Holland Furn	12	46¾	46	46¾	+1¼
Holland & Son	5	19½	19½	19½	
Holly Sugar	4	18⅜	18⅛	18⅛	— ⅛
Homestake Min	10	49½	49½	49½	
Hous-Hershey B	20	21	21	21	
Household Fin	1	76	76	76	
Houston Lt & P	14	24	24	24	— ⅛
Houston Oil	85	15	14⅝	14⅝	
Howe Sound	11	40½	40	40½	+ ⅛
Hudson & Man	26	3	3	3	
Hud & Man pf	1	13⅞	13⅞	13⅞	
Hud Bay M&S	3	30	29¾	29¾	— ⅛
Hudson Motor	35	13⅝	13⅜	13⅜	— ⅛
Hupp Motor	39	5⅛	5	5	— ⅛
Idaho Power	2	22⅝	22

Nelson B. Bell About the Showshops

Singing Starlet Pays A Debt of Gratitude; Notes of the Theater

LET IT NEVER AGAIN BE SAID—if it ever has been—that the players lending their talents to the cameras in Hollywood are a forgetful crew, impervious to the gentle urgings of gratitude.

Somebody who knows Marilyn Maxwell might overhear it and start an argument.

Had not the blonde and gracious Miss Maxwell, currently headlining the stage bill at Loew's Capitol Theater, been motivated by feelings of friendly helpfulness, she probably would not be present in Washington today.

"You see," she was saying yesterday at luncheon in the Variety Club, "for two years and a half I was vocalist with Ted Weems' Orchestra. Then he went into the merchant marine for about the same length of time and only recently returned to civilian life. The first thing he did was organize a band and secure an engagement in New Orleans that didn't get off to too good a start. So I went to New Orleans and joined the group with expenses paid, but no salary. If it hadn't been for Ted, I wouldn't be on Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's roster in Culver City today and I thought the least I could do was help my old friend out of a tight spot—if my singing with him again could do it.

An Expandnig Route

From New Orleans the studio suggested that I go on to the Capitol Theater in New York for three weeks, with pay, and before that engagement was over gave me this week in Washington at the Capitol. My latest word is to return to the studio for another picture—a musical this time, I think—as soon as this date is concluded."

Miss Maxwell's grateful and graceful gesture, incidentally, paid off. Mr. Weems and his band, with her help, got going and has kept in the groove ever since.

Marilyn, by the way, is the acquisitive young woman who has reversed the Harpo Marx formula Through three of the M-G-M "Dr. Gillespie" films—nee "Kildare"—she has been the beauteous blonde who has been chasing Van Johnson.

"We kid the life out of Van," she will confide without any special urging, "over his suddenly overwhelming popularity with what they call the 'bobby sox" trade. We call him the Frank Sinatra with muscles!"

A native of Clarinda, Iowa, although her family moved West while she was still too young to retain any recollection of her home town, Miss Maxwell has been under contract to M-G-M for something over two years and is one of the company's young players who seem now fairly on their way to individual stardom. "I have always been a singer," she says with utmost modesty, "and have been hoping right along that they would put me in a full-fledged musical. I have a hunch that the picture they want me for now may be it. But before I leave, I hope I'll have a chance to be a regular tourist and really see Washington. I have never been here before and think the city is wonderful—that is, as much as I have been able to see of it between the Statler and the stage entrance of the Capitol." There presumably isn't a male in town who would not be happy to be her guide.

And speaking of M-G-M, comes word that "Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo" was voted the Boxoffice Blue Ribbon Award for January by the National Screen Council as the best picture for whole family consumption released in that month. "Winged Victory" (Twentieth Century-Fox) was the runner-upper, with Warner Brothers' "Hollywood Canteen," Universal's "Can't Help Singing" and RKO-Radio's "The Princess and the Pirate" and "The Woman in the Window" the honorable mentions.

Your Last Chance

While only an occasional single seat remains available for the regularly scheduled performances of the "Ice-Capades of 1945" at Uline Arena, many choice seat locations are still to be had for the special Tuesday matinee being sponsored by the Variety Club of Washington.

This, of course, will be a complete presentation, enlisting the talents of the full roster of 152 skating stars, just as at any other performance.

Tickets for this extra matinee of perhaps the most spectacular and variegated extravaganza on ice that ever has played the Capital are on sale at Uline Arena, the Fairway Sporting Goods Co., and at Variety's ticket booth in the lobby of the Willard Hotel.

If a superlatively good show and an opportunity to aid in many worthy charities exert any appeal, Uline's should be sold out by the time Tuesday afternoon rolls around. It would be a good idea to get your tickets promptly, though, unless you are in the market for further disappointment.

"The Voice of the Turtle" will be heard in many other lands this season, according to Alfred de Liagre, jr., producer of the John van Druten comedy, now in its second year on Broadway and its first at the Selwyn Theater in Chicago. South American rights were sold this week, with the prospect of an early production in Buenos Aires. Last week a deal covering the Scandinavian rights was closed. Australian rights also have been disposed of, with a production planned for Melbourne and Sydney. Mr. de Liagre is retaining the British rights, with a view to taking an American cast to London to present the three-character hit. With the film rights sold to the Warner Brothers for $500,000 and a percentage of the profits, we have ceased worrying about Mr. de Liagre's economic state. It seems not to be critical.

Try-to-Find-One Note

Now, if we were talking about cigarets or chickens . . . !

Government Plans To Resume Mass Sedition Hearing

The Government is preparing to start once again the mass sedition trial which was abruptly interrupted last fall when Justice Erward C. Eicher died, it was learned today.

It was expected, however, that the Justice Department would pare the roll of defendants down to about half of the 26 who were on trial when Eicher died. The Government was widely criticized for attempting such a mass trial. It was found through actual experience that 26 defendants were difficult to handle.

Special Government Attorney O. Joh Rogge, who prosecuted the original case, recently returned from a long vacation. He conferred immediately with Attorney General Francis Biddle. It was believed that he will act as prosecutor in the new trial, too.

Pope's Condition Better

Vatican City, Feb. 16 (AP).—The Vatican physician said today that Pope Pius XII should be recovered completely in a fe wdays from his light case of influenza, which is "following a normal course."

Jane Arden

LEONARD LYONS

Loose-Leaf Notebook

New York, Feb. 16.—Monday morning the members of the independent citizens committee of the arts, sciences and professions held its annual elections. The committee members, whose annual dinner will be given at the Waldorf on Sunday, started the elections with a roll call. "Frederic March," the chairman shouted. "Present," answered the star . . . "Jo Davidson," the chairman continued. "Present," answered the sculptor . . . "Dr. Shapley, Frank Kingdon, Elliott Nugent," the chairman shouted. All three answered "Present" . . . "Orson Welles," the chairman called. And from the back of the room came a deep, sepulchral answer: "Omnipresent."

ORSON WELLES

Marshall Field and James Warburg are in Florida now, planning a PAC for farmers, and a news service to be called "Telepress" similar to Britain's Reuter's . . . The Mead War Investigating Committee will go to Detroit next week for a manpower study regarding the utilization of workers. The committee then will make its report on surplus goods, recommending centralization of disposal and permission for municipalities and States to acquire these goods . . . Jonathan Daniels, now filling in for Steve Early, may become the President's permanent press secretary by June.

Drue Leyton, the American lady who remained in Paris after the Nazi occupation and who, as Madame Tardere, succeeded in saving the lives of many Allied fliers whose escape she then helped arrange, is in New York. She is writing a book about her experiences with the Maquis and as an underground leader in Paris . . . Constance Bennett, now producing the movie adaptation of Etta Shiber's "Paris Underground," wired Drue Leyton and offered her $20,000 to forego writing the book, because of its similarity to "Paris Underground." The offer was immediately rejected.

The War Production Board is revamping its plans for the period following the fall of Germany. Most of the equipment now being used against Germany will be left in Europe because of the problems of transport and repair. The returning troops will be supplied with new equipment . . . Edith Craig, wife of the late comedian, Richy Craig, is the newest actress to turn playwright. Her play now is in the hands of producers . . . Tuesday's newspapers expressed surprise at the announcement that Ed Flynn had accompanied the President to Europe. It was hinted at in this space on February 6 . . . The Manila Herald, which now is being published in four mimeographed pages, has acquired United Press service.

Sam Goldwyn met Billy Rose at Toots Shor's and asked him about the movie, "Diamond Horseshoe." Rose replied: "I hear it's a pretty good picture." Goldwyn then expressed doubt, because the words terrific, sensational, etc., still are the accepted description in Hollywood, and "pretty good" is interpreted pessimistically in the film colony. The producer told of his first experience with these descriptives. He once asked Irving Thalberg about a new MGM picture. "Marvelous," said Thalberg, who then described a third as "sensational," and a fourth as "wonderful." Goldwyn then showed him his own new film. "Sorry, Sam," Thalberg told him later, "but I've run out of words."

Lieut. Robert Taylor brought his wife, Barbara Stanwyck, to the Stork Club, and said: "I want to see celebrities." Jack Spooner assured him: "You're the No. 1 celebrity here." The screen star replied: "By celebrity I mean a Senator or something like that" . . . The Franchot Tone show, "Hope for the Best," sold out last night, despite the weather. It has a $20,000 advance sale . . . This is the explanation given by some White House employes concerning the President's letter to Jesse Jones: When Jones learned that he had been fired he asked the President for a letter about the service he had performed. The President dictated it, just before leaving for the Crimea Conference, and didn't know it would not remain in Jones' personal files.

HEDDA HOPPER

Paxinou Still Waiting!

Hollywood, Feb. 16. — Walter Wanger is interested in George Ross' "Sophie Halenzick, American," a play he wrote for Katina Paxinou. Well, the guy who finds a picture for Paxinou should do well. There's one of our finest actresses. I hear Joan Crawford's performance in "Mildred Pierce" is so good she may win the Academy Award for 1945, which would be wonderful. In this you'll see Crawford as she is, without false eyelashes or layers of grease paint. . . . Voting has started for Academy Award winners. As I said before, "Going My Way" must get four little Oscars and will unless somebody at Paramount butchers it up. One to Bing Crosby, another to Barry Fitzgerald, one for best picture, and another to Leo McCarey. For the best performance by an actress my vote goes to Barbara Stanwyck. I voted for Ingrid Bergman in "Bell" last year. I think it's a mistake to give it to her this year for a performance she gave the year before. That was done to Joan Fontaine; also Bette Davis. If we're voting for the best performance of last year, let's vote on that. Just because they didn't get it the year before, that's too bad and their hard luck.

JOAN CRAWFORD

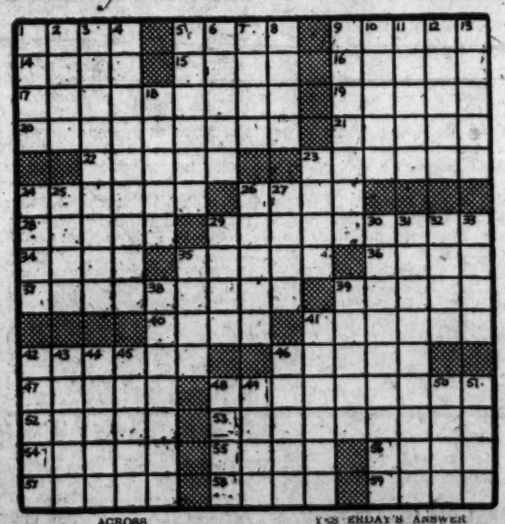
Love That Man

Connie Bennett's enemies wondered how she got Gracie Fields and Gregory Ratoff for "Paris Underground." It was because of her long standing friendship with Joe Schenck. Everybody's happy—they hear Connie's got a goodie. . . . Rita Haworth inherited her fighting ability from her 80-year-old grandfather, Antonio Cansino, who left Spain during the last revolution. He's here now visiting Rita and his great-granddaughter. When Antonio was 12 he was done out of his Spanish estate by a slick legal eagle and forced to work in a blacksmith shop. He always loved dancing and the guitar and would entertain horse owners between shots of shoeing. At night he haunted seaside cafes to pick up pennies from sailors after doing his stuff. It was the great dancer, Imperia, who taught him to dance. He was then 15. At 19 he went to London for one month and stayed a year. His career is one of the most fabulous in all dancing history. And a sweeter old man never lived.

A Prediction!

Even with Shirley Temple's mama and papa keeping a strict eye on her, I predict that in the not too distant future Shirley will marry a nice young chap, retire, and raise a family. Since she's attended school with other young girls I don't believe the acting bee goes deep with her. Why, bless her heart, she hasn't a slice of ham in her. . . . Reggie Owen and Charles Laughton were told by Camera Man Stout on "Captain Kidd" that he wanted a close-up to look like a cameo. "Cuddles" Laughton replied, "I pride myself on being able to act anything, but imitating a cameo—no, Mr. Stout, that's out of my line. What is a cameo?" . . . Dora Luz, who was in "Three Caballeros," is here again and being used for Walt Disney's new one with a Cuban background. Ethel Smith makes music on the organ, too. . . . The Pied Pipers get their voices in Disney's "Swing Street" . . . Randy Burke, New York playboy, honorably discharged from the Air Force, couldn't stand life in New York. He leaves for overseas almost any minute with the Red Cross.

Today's Cross-Word Puzzle



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39 Following
40 Claims
41 Ill temper
42 Argue
46 Wooden hammers
47 Mountain spinach
48 Actress
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54 Organic fluid
55 A son of Jacob
56 Greenbacks
57 Legal papers
58 Substance
59 Actual being: Lat.

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3 Boundary
4 Spur
5 Inclined
6 Confine by arms of land
7 Dirt deposit
8 Hatrack
9 Treasure
10 Household gods
11 Preceding
12 More pellitic
13 Lets stand
18 Masonic
23 Office staff
24 Incline
25 Town in S. Italy
26 Tapestry
27 Viking king
29 Dark, gloomy: poet
30 Spangle
31 Pardons
32 Dainty
33 Second man in the British government
35 England's national flower
38 Collects
39 Reject
41 Swords
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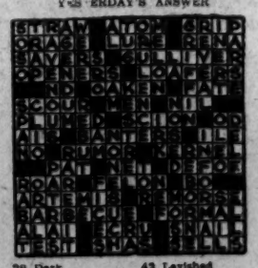
YESTERDAY'S ANSWER



Town Talk

By Carolyn Bell

CONSIDER the plight of poor Senator Tom Connally. Not only does he have Foreign Relations to worry about—but red-headed secretaries as well. No sooner does the Senator from Texas pick a new secretary (they're always pretty, that's the trouble) than the young lady gets a glamorous offer—and she's off.

First rule for success, it would seem, would be to work for Senator Connally. Latest "casualty" on the staff is red-headed Marjorie Hughes, a 20-year-old beauty from Dallas. Marjorie won a trip to New York and while there she met the man who turns out all those gorgeous cover girls—so Marjorie is off to be a Conover model.

THEN THERE'S the Honorable (if you please) Lou Nora Spiller who surprised the Senator's staff one day not long ago by passing the D. C. Bar examination. So far Miss Lou Nora seems quite happy where she is, but Senator had better watch his step or he will lose another efficient secretary.

ANOTHER red-head adds a bohemian touch to the covey of Texas secretaries. Ione Conway has copped any number of prizes with her oil paintings, a career she has been studiously pursuing ever since she started to work for the Senator. The fourth secretary has decided on a career of a different sort — Dorothy Taylor was recently married to Frank Bowden who works up on the Hill.

So, you see Senator Connally does have his troubles—international and otherwise.

WHEN Daisy Harriman and Virginia Bacon get busy things start humming. They are two petticoat politicians that would be hard to beat. The Women's Action Committee (perhaps the success of PAC sold the title) is meeting at Mrs. Bacon's F st. home to hear Edgar Ansel Mowrer next Thursday.

And I'll wager the turnout will be terrific. It's Mrs. Bacon's job to gather information about bills or measures interesting Congress and report to the committee. Their goal is victory and lasting peace.

Right now of course they have an eagle eye on the Dumbarton Oaks proposals. Mrs. Harriman—her international work gets a bit of competition these days from her visiting great-grandchild—is interested in America's United, a covering committee with the same aim, lasting peace.

CHIT CHAT: What's so mysterious about the movements of the new Belgian Ambassador, Baron Silvercruys? Why won't the embassy staff say whether he is going to move into the Embassy on Massachusetts ave. now that the moving van has removed the remaining Van der Straten Ponthoz belongings? For the present Baron Silvercruys is leasing the Ralph Snowden Hills home while they are in California. . . . Gen. and Mrs. L. R. Grove are entertaining tomorrow. Mrs. Grove was lucky enough to have a Virginia ham given her but she is worried about what she is going to cook it in. The only thing large enough in the house is the baby's bathtub. . . . The Earl and Countess of Halifax will be honored at dinner March 8 when their hostess will be Representative Frances Bolton. . . . The Hale Steinmans (who live in the old Russian Embassy on O st.), are asking people in for dinner tonight in honor of Miss Elizabeth Steinman, sister of the host. They are also having a small luncheon tomorrow in honor of their guest, here from Lancaster, Pa.

The Gatchells

MRS. COLUMBUS S. BEVERLEY
. . . *Married in California*

Virginia Young Becomes Bride

Of interest to Washington and adjacent Virginia is the announcement of the marriage of Miss Virginia Young, daughter of Mrs. Dora Young, of Greenwood, Ind., and Columbus S. Beverley, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Beverley of Alexandria, Va. The ceremony took place January 27 at 7 p. m. at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Oakland, Calif., with Father Carney officiating.

The bride, gowned in traditional white satin, fashioned with sweetheart neckline appliqued in flowers around the inset yoke, long tapering sleeves and full skirt that ended in a sweeping train, was escorted to the altar by W. L. Martignoni of Oakland. Her bridal bouquet was made of white orchids and white bouvardia.

Miss Dorothy J. Bratton, formerly of Danville, Va., now of San Francisco, was maid of honor. Serving as bridesmaids were Mrs. Robert Rawls of Piedmont, Calif., and Miss June Higginbothan of San Francisco. Miss Lorin E. Milliken, daughter of J. Geddes Milliken, was flower girl. Mr. Milliken, who served as best man, is formerly of this city.

Another former Washington resident, Harry E. Middleton, jr., ushered, as did W. N. Hornberger of Oakland.

The bridegroom was graduated from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute in 1942. After a period of service in the United States Army he became affiliated with the War Shipping Administration and is now stationed in San Francisco.

Gives Farewell For Mrs. Ray

Mrs. Justin Miller, wife of Justice Miller, entertained at a farewell tea yesterday in her apartment at Wardman Park for Mrs. Herman L. Ray, wife of Commander Ray of the Bureau of Aeronautics, who has been assigned to sea duty. Mrs. Ray will return to her home in Coronado, Calif., during her husband's absence.

Assisting the hostess at the tea table were Mrs. Ross T. McIntire, Mrs. Arthur MacArthur, Mrs. Lloyd H. Thomas, Miss D. Elizabeth Davis, Mrs. Paul Bastedo, Mrs. Paul Shorb, Mrs. William Foster Burdick, Mrs. Phidias J. Nicolaides, Mrs. Frederick A. Ramsey and Mrs. Richard Hartshorne.

Also assisting were Mrs. Charles Pynchon, Mrs. Robert Cahill, Mrs. Charles M. Thomas, Mrs. Frederick J. Cullen, Mrs. Fred T. Marshall, Mrs. R. B. Pegram, Mrs. J. R. Lee, Mrs. Naomi Holt Silvan, Mrs. Leon Schlossberg and Mrs. Otis W. Swainson.

The only guests were close friends of the guest of honor.

Mary Haworth's Mail
appears every day except Saturday in the Women's Pages. Read it tomorrow in Section IV.

Stone-Trump Vows Made; Eleanor Boyd Is Married

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence A. Trump, Westmoreland Hills, Md., announce the marriage of their daughter, Betty Barbar Trump, to Lieut. Jack Porter Stone, USMC, Lieutenant Stone is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Essibius J. Stone, Suddan, Tex.

The ceremony took place Saturday evening, February 3, in the chapel of the Marine base, Camp Lejeune, N. C., with Chaplain E. C. Becker officiating.

The bride, escorted by her father, wore a lime wool suit with black accessories and carried white roses and gardenias.

Before her marriage the bride was a student at Maryland University. Lieutenant Stone is a graduate of the University of Texas. He has just returned from duty in the South Pacific. Mrs. A. L. Hicks, of Dallas, Tex., was the bride's only attendant. Lieut. Allen D. Roberts, USMC, also of Texas, was best man.

Page—Boyd

Making their home in Arlington are Sergt. Phillip Lunford Page, jr., USMCR, and his bride, who was Miss Eleanor Burdella Boyd, daughter of Mrs. R. Earle Boyd, Arlington, and the late Major Boyd, USA, Chaplains Corps, before their marriage earlier this month in Walter Reed Chapel. The bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Page, Arlington.

Brig. Gen. George F. Rixey, USA, Chaplains Corps, read the 8 p. m. ceremony and Dr. Andrew Shea, Montgomery, N. Y., escorted the bride and gave her in marriage.

Wears Ivory Satin

The bride wore ivory satin made with valance insertions and long circular train. Her veil of illusion fell from a Juliet cap and she carried a colonial bouquet of white rosebuds with white satin streamers.

Mrs. William M. Benton, Arlington, matron of honor for her sister, was attired in a gown of rose pink satin and tulle. She wore a coronet of spring flowers in her hair and carried a bouquet of similar blossoms.

Cousin Is Best Man

Ivor A. Page, 3d, Norfolk, was best man for his cousin. Sergt. William M. Benton and Corpl. Eugene Hall, USMCR, ushered. A reception followed at the home of the bride's mother.

The bridegroom, now stationed at the Navy Annex, recently returned from the Pacific theater. A member of the First Marine Division, he holds a Presidential Citation for action on Guadalcanal and Tulagi.

MRS. JACK P. STONE
. . . *Bride of Texan*

Old Home Week—
It's A Houseful

Col. and Mrs. Robert Davis' house over in Arlington resembles Grand Hotel these days.

Their daughter, Miss Dita Davis, recently returned for a month's leave with the Red Cross in Italy; another daughter, Mrs. A. B. Shaefer, wife of Commander Shaefer, has just arrived from Jacksonville, Fla.

Leaving this week for Florida was a third daughter, Mrs. Greenhalgh, who is going to Tampa for the christening of the USS Saugus.

Arlington PEO Unit Elects New Officers

P. E. O. Chapter D, Arlington, will meet Friday at 2:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Ethel Fast, 4924 Rock Spring rd., Arlington.

Newly elected officers are: President, Mrs. Jessie Bartow; vice president, Mrs. Jean Mottley; recording secretary, Mrs. Ellen Byerley; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Ruth Parks; treasurer, Mrs. Nelle Masters; chaplain, Mrs. Harriet McNabb; guard, Mrs. Jeanette MacPherson.

Sen. Brewster, Wife Entertain For Trumans

Senator and Mrs. Owen Brewster were hosts at dinner last evening at the Sulgrave Club, entertaining in honor of Vice President and Mrs. Harry Truman.

Senator and Mrs. James M. Mead, Senator and Mrs. H. Alexander Smith were in the company and other guests were Senator and Mrs. Leverett Saltonstall, Senator and Mrs. Forrest C. Donnell, Senator Warren G. Magnuson, Senator and Mrs. Brien McMahon, Senator and Mrs. Wayne L. Morse.

The new Senator from Connecticut—first admiral in United States history to take a seat in the Congress—is Thomas H. Hart of Connecticut, who was a guest, with Mrs. Hart. Others were Mrs. Nellie Tayloe Ross, Miss Margaret Truman, daughter of the guests of honor, and Lieut. Robert M. Foss of Portland, Me.

Envoy's Wife Will Receive

Senora de Plaza, wife of the Ecuadorian Ambassador, has been invited to receive tomorrow evening at the United Nations Club tribute to Ecuador. The Ambassador is in Mexico City attending the Inter-American Conference of Foreign Ministers.

Among those from the Embassy planning to attend the dinner-dance are Minister Counselor Duran-Ballen, the Military and Air Attache and Senora de Larrea-Alba, the First Secretary and Senora de Correa, the Financial Counselor and Senora de Carbo, the Second Secretary and Senora de Fernandez, Jorge Reyes, Assistant Financial Counselor, and Senora de Reyes, Jose Anderson, Third Secretary, and the Assistant Military Attache and Senora de Pineiros.

Junior hostesses will be the Misses Constance Ladue, Gloria Suarez, Marta Solano, Ella Brown, Graciela Marquez and Helen Madden.

Ration Points

February 17, 1945.

MEAT AND FATS—Book 4 red stamps Q5 through S5 good through March 31. Stamps T5 through X5 good through April 28. Stamps Y5 and Z5 and A2 through D2 good through June 2.

PROCESSED FOODS—Book 4 blue stamps X5 through Z5 and A2 and B2 good through March 31. Stamps H2 through M2 good through June 2.

SUGAR—Book 4 stamp 34 good for 5 pounds through February 28. Stamp 35 valid for 5 pounds through June 3. Another stamp scheduled to be validated May 1.

SHOES—Book 3 airplane stamps 1, 2 and 3 valid indefinitely. OPA says no plans to cancel any.

GASOLINE—14A coupons good for 4 gallons through March 21. B5, C5, B6 and C6 coupons good for 5 gallons.

FUEL OIL—Last year's period 1 and 5 coupons and this year's period 1 through 4 coupons good. All coupons good throughout current heating system.

Federation Meeting Draws Favorable Comment

Beneath Gold Braid Lurks Much Hidden Talent; Graduate Women to Hold Reception Tomorrow

By Genevieve Reynolds

Feminine clubdom continues to espouse many worthy causes. Some organizations just talk—others accomplish. But if you get around and listen you hear:

Members of the United Nations Club declaring that all the male glitter in its environs doesn't stem from gold braid and brass buttons. Beneath many a member's uniform is concealed a sparkling array of talent. For instance there's Maj. John de Blois Wack, with his pleasing bass baritone voice. The major has sung in many recitals both here and abroad.

Sir Hubert Wilkins, noted explorer, is a frequent visitor. When in town, Brig. Gen. Carlos Romulo, Filipino Minister of Education and Resident Commissioner of the Philippines to the United States, frequents the club. Then there's Capt. Raoul Nadeau, French-Canadian, who has sung in Town Hall and the principal cities in the East. The Minister of Thailand, Mom Rajawongse Seni Pramoj, charms the crowds with his violin and cello playing.

There was favorable comment about the General Federation of Women's Clubs bang-up meeting at the Statler Hotel recently when Judge Anna M. Kross, New York City, national federation chairman of the Youth Conservation Committee, stated that the federation with its 2½ million members is available as an "instrumentality to be utilized by all who wish to use it for the benefit of youth."

Mrs. La Fell Dickinson, president of the federation, who since taking office has emphasized the home and family, pointed out that all organizations could participate in the federation's program without infringing upon any other functioning youth activities.

Phi Delta Gammas (a national fraternity for graduate women) are talking about its reception and tea tomorrow afternoon 4:30 to 6 p. m. at the home of Dr. Paul F. Douglass, president of American University. Mme. Wei, wife of the Chinese Ambassador, who was the first woman lawyer and judge in her country, and Mrs. Nellie Tayloe Ross, Director of the Mint, will be initiated as honorary members into Alpha Chapter of Phi Delta Gamma.

Congresswoman Mrs. Chase Going Woodhouse, national honorary member of Phi Delta Gamma, will be among the honored guests, as will the Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Wei Tao-ming, Dr. Beatrice Aitcheson, Dr. and Mrs. Lucius C. Clark, Dr. Paul F. Douglass.

Members of American University faculty expected to attend are Dean James F. Robbins, Dr. Ernest Correll, Dr. Howard Piquet, Dean Harry Ketchum, Scott Drayton and Dr. Oliver Short.

A musical program will be given by Dr. Charles Stoneberg and Miss Florence Lyman of American University.

You must have heard of the enthusiastic response to the National Society, Daughters of American Revolution, solicitation for more funds to carry on its various war projects. Now that the original blood plasma fund raised under Past President Mrs. William H. Pouch has been cut into deeply by blood plasma equipment given to the Red Cross and the new project under way to give mobile X-ray units to Navy ships, Mrs. Siegfried Robeling, Trenton, N. J., national chairman of war projects fund-committee, issues an appeal for more funds. Purpose is to promote the Navy X-ray program and other new projects.

Did You Know That . . .

The **Voteless D. C. League of Women Voters** sent a letter to Representative John M. Coffee this week urging that funds be appropriated to continue the psychiatric clinic of the Juvenile Court in the District. Mrs. Eugene Duffield, president, pointed out that the setting of clinics proposed by the Health Department is, and will be in the plan stage for many months.

Although funds have been available to the Health Department since July, 1944, it has been unable to secure necessary personnel with which to initiate the functions of a mental hygiene department, writes Mrs. Duffield, "and there is no indication that personnel can be secured in the near future."

Club Notes

LOCAL WOMEN GET THOUSANDS OF EXTRA RED POINTS

Every day, precious red points are being paid to housewives who turn in used fats to their butchers. Because this country is faced with a possible fat shortage, these used kitchen fats are even more urgently needed to make medicines, synthetic rubber, gunpowder, soaps, paints and a hundred other essentials on the battlefield and home front.

Every woman can help towards final Victory by saving every drop of used fats each time she cooks. Even a spoonful is worth salvaging. Won't you keep saving until final Victory over both Germany and Japan?

Tech, Central and Wilson Basketeers Score

Gave Up Baseball for Flying:

Maj. Billy Southworth, Hero Of 25 European Missions, Dies in Noncombat Crash

Associated Press WIREPHOTO.

Maj. Billy Southworth, jr., son of Billy Southworth, manager of the world champion St. Louis Cardinals, was identified yesterday as one of the five crew members missing after the crash of a B-29 Superfortress in Flushing Bay, N. Y., Thursday. This picture shows the "kid" of "Billy the Kid" when he was a captain, wearing the baseball cap his father gave him as a good luck token

By Harold Harrison

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 16 (AP).—Maj. Billy Brooks Southworth, a younger and huskier edition of baseball's famed Billy "the Kid" Southworth, is missing in a noncombat plane crash after escaping unscathed in 25 bombing missions over what once was Hitler's fortress Europe.

The War Department sent one of those tragic messages today to the elder Southworth, manager of St. Louis' world champion Cardinals, a few hours after his son's B-29 superfortress crashed and exploded in Flushing Bay.

Young Billy, a promising baseball outfielder in his own right, was believed to have been the first professional baseball player to enlist in this country's World War II armed forces. He had been in the Air Corps since December, 1940.

He went overseas in October, 1942—just before his dad's ball club whipped the New York Yankees for the world championship.

He won the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters.

Quite nautrally, young Billy practically grew up with a baseball in his hand. At the time of his enlistment he was the property of the Toronto Club of the International League.

Young Billy also was credited with having made a baseball cap a popular item of wearing apparel among bomber crews.

Billy's dad and Mrs. Southworth flew to New York today to be there as the search for their son's body goes on. Their home is at Sunbury, near here, and Billy attended Ohio State University for three years. He also had been signed to a movie contract to go into effect after the war.

"I suppose if there had been no war I might have made the major leagues," he said at the time of a furlough early last year, "but since grabbing an airplane stick instead of a bat, I want to stick to aviation and be just another baseball fan."

Ike Williams Gets Title Shot

Philadelphia, Feb. 16 (AP).—Juan Zurita, Los Angeles, will defend his NBA lightweight title here April 9 against Ike Williams of Trenton, N. J., Lou Jaffe, publicity director for Promoter Herman Taylor, announced today.

The two men will sign here tomorrow for the 15-round affair, Jaffe said.

Williams earned the right to battle Zurita for the crown by defeating Willie Joyce of Los Angeles here January 8 to avenge an earlier loss. He has since kayoed Maxie Berger, Montreal, welterweight champ of Canada.

Joost to Resume Career With Braves

Boston, Mass., Feb. 16 (U.P.).—Eddie Joost, former Cincinnati shortstop, today planned to resume his baseball career with the Boston Braves this spring.

Joost, who was obtained in a trade which sent Eddie Miller to the Reds, played with the Braves a year but had a poor season, became dissatisfied and retired from the game. Since that time he has been working in a factory but he now has been reinstated after being on the voluntary retired list for a year.

Ex-Michigan State Star Dies in Action

East Lansing, Feb. 16 (AP).—Capt. Max O. Hindman, 27, of Gary, Ind., a member of the Michigan State basketball team from 1939-41, was killed in action November 11 while leading his men into position in Germany, Coach Ben Van Alstyne has been informed by relatives.

Hindman was co-captain and high scorer of State's 1941 team and was a member of the famous "Gary Gang" that helped State defeat Long Island University in Madison Square Garden in 1941. The others were Chet Aubuchon and Bob Phillips.

Rafferty Faces Stiff Test in Baxter Mile

By Harold Claassen

New York, Feb. 16 (AP).—Jimmy Rafferty and James Herbert, a pair of 29-year-olds who have creaked through an all-winning season to date, get new opposition in tomorrow night's New York A. C. Invitational Track Meet at Madison Square Garden.

Miler Rafferty, who triumphed in the Millrose, Metropolitan AAU and Boston games, still is favored to win the Baxter Cup but he likely will be pushed by Don Burnham, IC4A and Ivy League champion while at Dartmouth last year.

It will be the first mile start of the year for Burnham, now a Navy medical student here.

Herbert's new foe is a slash in the usual distance. The daytime postal clerk also has been victorious in the three meets this winter but at 600 yards. Tomorrow's race, with National 440-yard Champion Elmore Harris in the field, will be at 500 yards.

In both the Millrose and Boston games, Harris was ahead at the 500-yard mark with Herbert slipping through to win in the final strides.

Lieut. Charles Beetham of North Carolina Pre Flight, is the No. 1 man in the half mile; Forest Efaw, also a sailor, is the favorite in the 2-mile but the Army offers Corpl. Milton Padway as its candidate for pole vault honors.

Forty-three teams are running in the eight relay events. In what looms as the best at the mile distance, West Point's foursome anchored by George Berger will oppose Pennsylvania, New York U. and Baldwin-Wallace.

The Cadets have done 3:22.6 this season but N. Y. U. has been clocked at 3:25.6 for the fastest 1945 time on the Garden's 11-lap track.

Harmon's 67 Sets Pace at Gulfport

Gulfport, Miss., Feb. 16 (AP).—Claude Harmon of Grosse Point, Mich., set a fast pace today in the first round of the $5000 Gulfport Open Golf Tournament with a 67, four under par, for the first 18 holes.

Harmon, who finished third in the New Orleans Open last week, had a 33, 34.

Leonard Dodson, San Francisco, another early finisher in the starting field of 70 professionals and amateurs, carded a 68.

Milton Demaret of Houston, Tex., scored 70, while Sammy Byrd, Detroit; Craig Wood, Mamaroneck, N. Y., and Willie Goggin of New York, all had 71's.

Terp Cagers, W. & M. to Clash Tonight

University of Maryland's basketball team will ring down the curtain on its home season tonight, entertaining William and Mary at Ritchie Collesium, 8 p. m.

Coach Burton Shipley's Terps have had rough going this season, dropping seven contests out of eight played. Against William and Mary, however, the Terps are given an even chance of coming through.

Shipley hasn't announced his starting lineup but, indicated yesterday that Jack Flynn, one of the Southern Conference's leading scorers, would be the key figure in tonight's plans. Flynn, a forward, is the only veteran on the Maryland squad and his play has been one of the few bright spots in the Free Staters dull campaign.

Bob Yorby, former Tech star, is expected to team with Flynn at forward. Dick Campbell will probably get the starting call at center, with Dave Balachow and Ed Keller opening at guards.

Terp Boxers, Army Clash at West Point

West Point, N. Y., Feb. 16.—Coach Paddy Kane's University of Maryland boxing team and the West Point Military Academy clash here tomorro win an intercollegiate match.

Army decisioned the Terps at College Park, Md., earlier in the season and rule a favorite to repeat.

Indiana Basketeer Paces Scorers at Bainbridge Navy

Bainbridge, Md., Feb. 16.—Herman Schaefer, the "Hoosier Hotshot" from Indiana University, still is pacing the Bainbridge Navy Commodores in the basket-weaving department. After the Commodores' first 27 games—which resulted in 24 victories—the clever forward is credited with 253 points. He missed one contest. Schaefer is sporting almost a 10-point average despite the fact that he was shut out in two contests.

Jack Coleman, tall center from Duke; Scotty Hamilton, West Virginia guard, and Sol Schwartz, guard from Long Island, are bunched around second place. Scoring hero in recent games has been Frank Frascella of Villanova, who has been bagging most of his points on set shots. The standings:

	*Games	G.	F.	Pts.
Schaefer	26	110	33	253
Coleman	26	78	29	185
Hamilton	26	73	33	179
Schwartz	26	67	39	173
Crosain	26	62	27	151
Holcomb	26	46	26	118
Frascella	25	51	12	114
Armstrong	22	46	12	104
Goldfaden	22	28	22	78
Gehrke	11	3	0	6
Totals	27	651	258	1560

*No player has taken part in every game.

Dog Show Canceled

Hartford, Conn., Feb. 16 (U.P.).—The Hartford dog show, scheduled to open tomorrow night, was cancelled today in compliance with an order from the Office of Defense Transportation and arrangements were made to return the entry fees of more than 800 exhibitors.

Prepping for Belt Battle

Post Staff Photo—Goodwin.

Jimmy Balderson, Apollo A. C. welterweight who meets rugged Leslie Massey of Gallaudet College in the finals of the 147-pound novice class in the Washington Post-D. C. A. A. U. Battle of Belts Boxing Championships next Friday night at Uline Arena, receives a few pearls of wisdom from his coach, Billy Blake, as he goes through daily drills at Apollo A. C. gym, 645 H st. ne. The Balderson-Massey scrap is one of the outstanding bouts on the card of 13 finals

East Wants Action

Western Clubs Seen Delaying Naming of Baseball 'Czar'

By Jerry Liska

Chicago, Feb. 16 (AP).—The major league committee sifting the field for a sucessor to the late K. M. Landis as baseball commissioner won't be rushed in its task, despite prodding by impatient Eastern magnates.

P. K. Wrigley of the Chicago Cubs, member of the four-man, all-Western joint committee of the American and National Leagues, was plainly irked by some sharp needling of his group credited to Horace Stoneham of the Giants and Branch Rickey of the Dodgers.

"If those fellows want my job, they can have it," Wrigley asserted. "Since the committee was announced I've received a ton of mail—applications for the job."

Stoneham Impatient

Stoneham reportedly had demanded: "What is the committee doing? They ought to be able to make up their minds by this time. They've been at it 10 days." Rickey said he shared Stoneham's impatience.

"As I get it, we're just supposed to be bird dogs—we are only supposed to sift reports on possible candidates, investigate them and present this information to the other owners. There's nothing formal about our group," Wrigley declared.

Wrigley's colleagues on the committee are Sam Breadon of the St. Louis Cardinals, Don Barnes of the St. Louis Browns and Alva Bradley of the Cleveland Indians.

"Why, Bradley has been on vacation ever since the joint league meeting in New York," the Cub owner said, adding that the committee had not planned a meeting. It was believed, however, the group would assemble secretly at some isolated site soon to compare notes.

Seek Three or Four Candidates

The intention of the committee reportedly is to boil down the field to three or four candidates who will be submitted to a full meeting of both leagues. "We won't send our dope sheets by mail," Wrigley admitted.

The committee's leisurely attitude ostensibly stems from a feeling among Western owners, at least, that the present three-member advisory council of Will Harridge and Ford Frick of the American and National Leagues respectively and Leslie M. O'Connor, former secretary to Landis, can conduct baseball competently for some time to come.

In addition, the sentiment prevails here that Frick and Harridge, recently named for just such a purpose, can plead baseball's cause as well in Washington as a new commissioner. Proponents of an immediate selection argue that the new commissioner is needed to cope with the threat of a canceled 1945 season.

$2.60 Ringside

Battle of Belts Fight Tickets Now on Sale

Tickets for The Washington Post-District of Columbia Battle of Belts boxing championships, which enters the final round Friday, February 23 at Uline Arena, are now available.

Scaled at $2.60 ringside, $1.30 general admission and 65 cents for children, may be purchased at the following locations:

Uline's Arena, 3d and M st. ne.

Turner's Arena, 14th and W sts. nw.

Washington Post lobby, 1337 E st. nw.

Atlas Club, 1349 E st. nw.

Touchdown Club, 1414 I st. nw.

Trueman Cowhig's Newsstand, 700 block King st., Alexandria, Va.

Mail and telephone reservations will be handled at Turner's Arena, Michigan 6614 and at Uline Arena, FRanklin 8500.

Col. Torgerson, Ex-NYU Grid Star, To Join China Army

Hollywood, Feb. 16 (U.P.).—Lieut. Col. Harry L. Torgerson, former New York University football star and later a professional hockey player, revealed today that he plans on joining the Chinese Army as an officer.

Torgerson resigned from the Marine Corps Saturday because of ill health after serving with the first Marine parachute battalion. He won the Silver Star and a presidential citation for action on Guadalcanal, Valla Lavella and Bougainville and the Purple Heart for a wound received from a Japanese sniper on Gavutu.

Bridgewater Five 50-43 Winner

Bridgewater, Va., Feb. 16 (AP).—Pulling ahead in the final quarter, the Bridgewater College Eagles won over Elizabethtown College, 50-43, here last night. The game was nip and tuck from the opening whistle. At halftime the visitors held a 28-26 advantage.

Houff, Eagle center, led the scoring with 22 points and Buck, of the visitors, gave his team 18.

The Bridgewater College girls, playing their first game in many seasons, trimmed the Elizabethtown girls team 23-20 in a game played before the main event.

Bridgewater.	G	FG	P
Walston,f	2	1	5
Sanger,f	3	0	6
Houff,c	11	0	22
Richards,g	4	5	13
Rudy,g	1	0	2
Miller,f	0	0	0
Robertson,g	1	0	2
Totals	22	6	50

Elizabethtown.	G	FG	P
Buck,f	8	2	18
Hershey,f	7	1	15
Whitacre,c	2	1	5
Lefevre,g	0	1	1
Bucher,g	1	2	4
Totals	18	7	43

Officials—Kivlighan and Dey.

Rockville Winner; Jackson Shines

Overcoming a 23-15 third-quarter deficit, Rockville High defeated Gaithersburg, 29-28, yesterday at Gaithersburg.

Jackson of Gaithersburg was high scorer with 15 points, while Wilson paced the winners with 12.

Gaithersburg.	G	FG	P
Jackson,f	7	1	15
Otte,f	0	0	0
Chiswell,f	1	1	3
Wayne,f	0	0	0
J. Wilson,c	0	0	0
Fulks,c	0	0	0
White,g	2	3	7
Stand,g	0	1	1
Watkins,g	1	0	2
Totals	11	6	28

Rockville.	G	FG	P
Bailey,f	4	0	8
Greene,f	0	3	3
Ball,f	0	0	0
R. Wilson,c	6	0	12
Turner,c	1	0	2
Poole,g	1	0	2
Luhn,g	0	2	2
Dodd,g	0	0	0
Rice,g	0	0	0
Totals	12	5	29

Referee—Chisari.

LaSalle Accepts Bid

Cumberland, Md., Feb. 16 (AP).—LaSalle High School of Cumberland has accepted an invitation to defend its championship of the Eastern States Catholic Interscholastic Basketball Tournament at Newport, R. I., March 22, 23 and 24, Brother Dacian Stephen, principal, announced today.

Rival Grid Leagues Bid For Horvath

By Walter Byers

Chicago, Feb. 16 (U.P.).—The first marjor test of whether the embryo All-American Conference is strong enough to lure away from the 25-year-old National Football League was on today with Les Horvath, 164-pound All-American halfback, as the prize.

Recently returned from the postseason banquet circuit, during which he picked up such tributes as the Heisman Trophy and the Big Ten's Most Valuable Player Cup, Horvath finds himself the middleman in a preliminary scrap between the two professional grid groups.

This is just the beginning of warfare between the two leagues, with the NFL's long-established reputation as a going concern pitted against the All-America's fabuluos salaries and postwar plans for operation. And Horvath is just one of the many college stars who will profit from the emopetitive bidding.

Rams Offer $5000

Horvath was drafted by the Cleveland Rams of the NFL two years ago after he had completed three better-than-average seasons with the Buckeyes. The Rams offered him $5000 to join last year, but the fiery Parma, Ohio dental student returned to Ohio State, under the ASTP and went on to lead the Buckeyes through an undefeated season and become the toast of the Nation's All-Americans last fall.

Now Arthur (Mickey) McBride, taxicab magnate and owner of the projected Cleveland All-America franchise, wants Horvath on his postwar team so he will have a double feature, native-Ohio attraction.

McBride already has obtained the services of Navy Lieut. Paul Brown, former Ohio State coach, as his future skipper at a reported $25,000 a year and he believes a Horvath-Brown bill wold be an unbeatable gate attraction in Cleveland.

$15000 Offer Predicted

The Rams made their original $6000 offer before Horvath became the Nation's favorite all-American, but now General Manager Charles Walsh and Coach Buff Donnelli are ready to start writing the same size checks the taxicab executive is prepared to offer—approximately $15,000.

Horvath told the United Press recently that it is "almost certain" that he will not play pro football since he doesn't think his 164-pound frame can stand the beating play-for-pay gridders dish out, which provides an ideal setting for the double-barreled Cleveland bidding.

There is no doubt that the all-American is capable of bidding along-side the well-established N. F. L., since it already has invested more than $2,150,000 in talent and franchises and has a group of millionaires behind it.

G. U. Prep Wins; O'Donnell Stars

With Jim O'Donnell's 23 points setting the pace, Georgetown Prep's cagers defeated Devitt Prep, 53-32, yesterday at the Little Hoyas' gym.

Georgetown had little trouble piling up a 23-11 half-time lead, and added to its margin in the final half. George Van Wagner and Jim Rafferty were high scorers for Devitt with 10 points apiece.

Geo. Prep.	G	FG	P
Miller,f	6	1	13
Harrell,f	1	0	2
Sullivan,f	4	0	8
O'Donnell,c	9	5	23
Pakler,g	2	1	5
O'Connor,g	1	0	2
Gartland,g	0	0	0
Totals	23	7	53

Devitt.	G	FG	P
VanWagner,f	5	0	10
Rafferty,f	5	0	10
Booth,c	0	3	3
Maddox,c	1	0	2
Donnelly,g	1	2	4
Harrison,g	1	0	2
Greenville,g	0	1	1
Totals	13	6	32

Calif. Suspends Burke's License

Oakland, Calif., Feb. 16 (U.P.).—The referee's license of Billy Burke was suspended by the California Athletic Commission today because he failed to turn in his card for the Chester Slider-Henry Armstrong fight Wednesday night.

Burke, who awarded Slider a disputed decision, said someone stole his card when he left the ring after the fight. He added that under the California point-scoring system he had given Slider five more points than Armstrong.

Most sports writers thought Armstrong had won.

Bolling Field Five In Tourney Here

Entry of Bolling Field in the Middle Atlantic and District of Columbia Championship Basketball Tournament, scheduled to begin March 4 at Heurich gym, was announced today by Bob McDonald, tournament director. The Army fiers, coached by Lieut. Julius Fischer, jr., have one of the most powerful fives in the area, having won 19 out of 22, and beating such top-grade rivals as Naval Barrackks, Naval Research, Camp Springs, Senate Beer and Kavakos Grill.

Bob Hudak, who hails from East Rutherford, N. J., is Bolling Field's chief scorer, having averaged 17 or 18 points a game. His teammates include Jerry Martin, Elmer Luekhardt, Bob Butler and John Smerick, all of whom are between 6 feet and 6 feet 2 inches in height. Hudak, at 6 feet, is the midget of the team.

Scoops in the News

Bangor, Pa., Feb 15 (AP).—Bangor High School lost 65 straight basketball games in five years. Then they won one—22 to 21—over Penn Argyl High. The Bangor Dail yNews carried this heading: "Flash! Bangor High Cagers Win One."

Trainers Tie Eastern For Interhigh Lead

Tech High's Trainers moved into a deadlock with Eastern for first place in the Interhigh Basketball League yesterday by defeating Western's Red Raiders, 62-23, at Tech to feature play in the final round of the regular season.

Central moved into a tie with Coolidge for third place by defeating Anacostia, 34-16, causing a playoff between the Vikings and Colts. Wilson took undisputed possession of second place, edging Roosevelt's Rough Riders, 24-23, at Wilson.

Trainers Trample Raiders, 62 to 23

Tech went into a deadlock with Eastern for first place in the Interhigh Basketball League yesterday when it defeated Western, 62-23, at Tech gym. The Trainers, by winning, moved into the playoffs.

It was the sixth series victory for the Trainers, and gives them a record of six and one for the season—the same as Eastern.

Right from the start, Tech began to administer its usual slaughter. The Trainers found no trouble in handing Western its sixth loop defeat and, paced by Walter (Swede) Olson, held a 19-5 advantage as the first period closed.

The Trainers, using mostly reserves, increased their lead to 35-9 by the time the half closed. Again it was Olson leading the attack. The Trainers continued to romp in the third period as they hit the cords for 18 more points, while the best the Raiders could produce was five points.

Using practically all second-stringers, Techs' fourth-period scoring was held to nine points, while Western made its best showing of the frame by collecting nine also.

High scorer of the day was Olson with 16 points, while teammate Albin Lann gathered in 14.

Tech.	G	FG	P
Moffatt,f	3	3	9
Brotman,f	0	1	1
Lann,f	6	2	14
Abraham,f	3	2	8
Olson,c	8	0	16
Rapee,c	1	0	2
Davis,g	0	0	0
Drayer,g	0	0	0
Poms,g	0	0	0
Raphelson,g	4	2	10
Nollin,g	1	0	2
Totals	26	10	62

Western.	G	FG	P
D.Dudley,f	1	0	2
Stockton,f	0	0	0
Castro,f	3	1	7
Wacker,f	0	1	1
Murphy,c	0	0	0
Uhler,c	1	2	4
Gould,g	2	1	5
Guilloff,g	0	0	0
M.Dudley,g	0	0	0
Totals	7	5	23

Wilson Defeats Roosevelt, 24-23

Wilson's Tigers had to battle all the way to overcome Roosevelt, 24-23, yesterday on the Tiger's court.

Two field goals by Bobby Buchantz in the last 45 seconds almost brought victory to the Riders and ended an exciting tussle that saw both teams fighting from the start.

Wilson led at the end of the initial stanza, 5 to 4 but the Tigers broke away in the second period and raised the score to, 13-9, at the half. Pearce Godfrey, high scorer with 11 points, hit the hoops for 6 markers in the third quarter, while Gerald Brody tallied for three to comprise their respective teams' scoring. The quarter ended with Wilson still on top, 19 to 12.

The Riders found new spirit in the last period and began to close in on the Tigers, but the final whistle ended this threatening rally.

Roosevelt.	G	FG	P
Grim,f	1	2	4
Buchantz,f	2	1	5
Comer,c	1	4	6
Kanofsky,c	0	0	0
G.Brody,g	1	3	5
Theophilos,g	0	1	1
Bushlow,g	1	0	2
Totals	6	11	23

Wilson.	G	FG	P
Godfrey,f	4	3	11
Polhamus,f	0	1	1
Hogue,f	0	0	0
Sanders,c	0	0	0
Taylor,g	1	1	3
McLarney,g	0	3	3
Totals	8	8	24

Officials—White and Buscher.

National Training Upsets Bethesda

National Training School's cagers pulled their biggest upset in years yesterday when they defeated Bethesda-Chevy Chase's Barons, 29-25, at N. T. S.

The winners, paced by June Barton and Ludy Barrick, who scored 11 and 8 points, respectively, were never behind and held a 16-14 advantage at the half.

N. T. S.	G	FG	P
Barton,f	5	1	11
Thompson,f	1	0	2
Barr,c	1	2	4
Wittaker,g	0	0	0
Cox,g	2	0	4
Barrick,g	3	2	8
Totals	12	5	29

Beth.-C. C.	G	FG	P
McCall,f	0	0	0
Smith,f	3	1	7
Hughes,f	3	2	8
Raymond,c	0	0	0
Wray,g	1	2	4
Chappell,g	3	0	6
Pierce,g	0	0	0
Totals	10	5	25

Referee—McGeever.

New Market Five Beats Toms Brook

New Market, Va., Feb. 16.—The local high school basketeers ran their win column up to eight last night by defeating Toms Brook, 44-18. The local five clinched the Shenandoah County championship and will represent Shenandoah County in the district G tournament to be held at Bridgewater College February 23-24. Harner for the locals took high point honors by tossing in 24 points. Weaver, also for the locals, came in second with a total of 14 points while Hockman for the losers tossed through 12.

Toms Brook.	G	FG	P
Holler,f	0	0	0
Kronk,f	1	0	2
Hockman,c	6	0	12
G.Painter,g	0	0	0
Carey,g	0	0	0
D.Painter,f	2	0	4
Totals	9	0	18

New Market.	G	FG	P
Harner,f	12	0	24
Weaver,f	7	0	14
Will,c	2	0	4
Linchose,g	0	0	0
Isler,g	1	0	2
Litton,f	0	0	0
French,g	0	0	0
Long,g	0	0	0
Lam,c	0	0	0
Totals	22	0	44

Referee—Hottle. Umpire—Wakeman.

Poolesville Cagers Defeat Damascus

Poolesville, Md., Feb. 16.—Poolesville High School's basketball team edged Damascus High School here this afternoon, 28-24.

Paul Robinson, center, paced the winners' attack with 12 points. Poolesville was ahead, 13-8, at the half.

Poolesville.	G	FG	P
Deadrick,f	3	0	6
Cohlhoss,f	0	1	1
P.Robison,c	6	0	12
Tipton,g	0	0	0
Lewis,g	2	0	4
D.Robison,g	0	0	0
Wise,g	2	1	5
Totals	13	2	28

Damascus.	G	FG	P
Hines,f	1	1	3
Gladhill,f	0	0	0
W.Watkins,f	0	0	0
E.Watkins,f	3	1	7
Snapp,c	1	2	4
Pool,g	0	1	1
W.Beall,g	3	0	6
Duvall,g	0	0	0
L.Beall,g	1	1	3
Totals	9	6	24

Landon Booters Tie

The Landon and St. Alban's soccer teams battled to a scoreless tie yesterday at Landon.

Vikings Thump Indians, 34 to 16

Central battled its way into a fourth-place tie in the interhigh league yesterday, defeating Anacostia, 34-16, at Central gym. As a result, Central will play Coolidge Monday at Tech gym for undisputed possession of fourth place and a play-off position.

Bill Shirey started the Vikings off on the right foot in the opening stanza with a field goal. Then after Scotty Silvers tied the score for the Indians, Gus Baroutas and Steve Manos took over by sparking Central into an 8-4 first-quarter lead.

From that time until late in the final period, when Central Coach Jan Jankowski put in his second team, Baroutas dominated the scoring attack for the Vikings. Baroutas netted 6 in the second quarter and 6 more in the third. Manos chalked up 4 points in the second and 6 more in the third period.

The Central defense meanwhile was holding Anacostia to two baskets in the opening quarter, two charity tosses in the second, and three in the third. Going into the final period, Central held a 30-9 lead.

Against the Central reserves in the last period, the Indians, paced by Gene Schroeder's five markers, outscored their rivals, 7-4.

Manos and Baroutas were high scorers for Central, with 15 and 13 points, respectively, while Gene Schroeder's 8 was tops for Anacotsia.

Central.	G	FG	P
Baroutas,f	4	5	13
Gillen,f	1	0	2
Selwyn,f	0	0	0
Schum,f	0	0	0
Manos,c	7	1	15
Schisman,c	0	1	1
Covey,g	0	0	0
Markham,g	0	1	1
Shirey,g	1	0	2
Ruggieri,g	0	0	0
Goff,g	0	0	0
Totals	13	8	34

Anacostia.	G	FG	P
Panella,f	0	0	0
Slaughter,f	1	0	2
Wolfgang,f	2	0	4
Schroeder,c	1	6	8
Reybold,g	0	0	0
Silvers,g	2	0	4
Totals	5	6	16

Referee—Doran. Umpire—Mitchell.

INTERHIGH STANDINGS

	W.	L.	Pct.
Eastern	6	1	.857
Tech	6	1	.857
Wilson	5	2	.714
Central	4	3	.571
Coolidge	4	3	.571
Roosevelt	2	5	.286
Western	1	6	.143
Anacostia	0	7	.000

D. C. Ring Board Protests Jacobs' Wright-Ruffin Bout

The District Boxing Commission yesterday filed protest wtih the New York State Athletic Commission after Mike Jacobs announced he had signed Bobby Ruffin and Chalky Wright for a bout at Madison Square Garden, March 30. Wright is supposed to be under suspension by both the National Boxing Association, of which the D. C. Board is a member, and the New York State group for "running out" on a bout here last September with Pittsburgh Jackie Wilson under the auspices of Promoter Joe Turner.

Wright, under orders from his manager, Eddie Walker, did not go through with the Wilson bout after rain had twice delayed the card in order to accept a more lucrative shot a Willie Pep in the Garden. When the D. C. Ring Board protested to the New York group, Gen. John J. Phalen, then chairman, wrote the D. C. Board that he would cooperate in both Wright's and Walker's suspension and proceeded to suspend Wright and Walker until such time as the NBA would remove the shackles. The D. C. Board has never been notified of New York lifting the suspension.

Lieut. Col. Eddie Eagen, present chairman of the N. Y. State Board, yesterday promised to investigate the local boxing commission's protest, hinting a decision would be made next week.

St. Alban's Beats Landon, 18 to 12

St. Alban's, holding its foe scoreless in the first half, defeated Landon Prep, 18-12, yesterday at St. Alban's in a basketball game that was featured by fine defensive play on the part of both teams.

The Saints were sparked to victory by Bob Smith. St. Alban's led, 4-0, at the end of the first period and enjoyed the same lead at the half, both fives failing to score.

St. Alban's.	G	FG	P
R.Smith,f	4	0	8
West,f	1	1	3
Lucas,f	0	0	0
F.Smith,c	0	2	2
Lee,c	0	0	0
Harwood,g	0	1	1
Daniels,g	1	3	4
Totals	6	6	18

Landon.	G	FG	P
Leachman,f	2	0	4
Ernst,f	1	0	2
Manfuso,f	0	0	0
D.Smith,c	0	0	0
Simpson,g	1	2	4
Lewis,g	1	0	2
Armstrong,g	0	0	0
Totals	5	2	12

Ellsworth Vines Faces Army Test

Denver, Colo., Feb. 16 (U.P.).—Ellsworth Vines, former National tennis champion and now a professional at a Denver golf club, today was ordered to report at Fort Logan tomorrow for his preinduction examination.

Greenbelt Cagers Win Ninth, 27 to 24

Greenbelt High's basketball team came from behind in the second half yesterday to score, 27-24, over Hyattsville on the latter's court. It was the ninth victory of the year for Grenebelt.

After trailing, 11-18, at the half, Teddy Fox and Mahlon Ashbaugh got hot and put Greenbelt out in front by midway of the last period.

Greenbelt.	G	FG	P
Wolfe,f	1	1	3
Strickler,f	0	0	0
Fox,c	5	0	10
Ashbaugh,g	5	0	10
Cookson,g	1	2	4
Totals	12	3	27

Hyattsville.	G	FG	P
Yamaski,f	3	2	8
Somerfield,f	1	0	2
Fowler,c	1	0	2
Emmert,c	0	0	0
Dookzaire,g	2	1	5
O'Steen,g	2	2	7
Totals	9	6	24

Pieces of Haight

Pneumonia Nook, D. C.

Dear Boss,

You were right about that picture of me that is being printed with this letter. You said sooner or later somebody was going to expose me as a cheater. Well, I got it the other night. I was introduced to a forty-ish-looking woman and she said, "So you are Pounds Haight" and kept staring at me. Finally, she asked, "Do you think. I could arrange to have my picture taken by a Post photographer?"

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I told her it was possible but there were many good photo studios around town. "You don't know what I mean," she replied, 'I want the same photographer who took the picture of you that's in the paper every day. If he can make you look that good, then he would be able to improve me."

Well Boss, the cat is out of the bag, so I guess I had better confess. The picture was taken November 18, 1938, and that's almost seven years ago, even if you say it fast.

Tell the truth, I didn't look that good even then. I bribed the photographer to climb up on a ladder and snoot the picture down. That maneuver eliminated two of my three chins, as you will note. Then I took the print to the artist and he painted out the bags under my eyes and gave me a little more hair on the forehead.

But I always suspected that artist, Boss. If you will examine closely, my right eye appears larger than the left. Looks like I'm trying to put the evil eye on somebody.

Now, I'll have to have another picture made. I was thinking about a profile shot, but the last one made me look like a pelican. I take on the appearance of carrying a sack full of water under my chin in a three-quarter view and, if I have one made looking straight at the camera, there is some doubt if you can get my head in one-half column.

Boss, it might be a good idea to call a conference of the photographers and see what they can do about it. They might decide to run my face in sections—one piece of Haight today and another tomorrow, etc.

I used to laugh at men with a little hair on the temples who combed it around in circles trying to cover up bald spots. It amused me to see a dyed mustache and I have howled at wisecracks about Jack Benny's toupee. But I'm beginning to sympathize now.

I'll let you in on a secret—I'm thinking seriously about buying a girdle. Don't get me wrong, Boss, I'm not trying to improve my shape but the advertisement says it "gives you a comfortable feeling."

I was wondering if those girdles are waterproof and can be worn under a pair of bathing trunks. I haven't made up my mind about the style, but I don't want the kind that laces up the back, unless you will let me hire a boy to go with me on trips. And I prefer a zipper to the hook-and-eye.

I think I will choose pink for the color, because sometimes I forget to pull down the shades.

If I get a girdle, have my face lifted, build up my heels and put some drops in my eyes, I might go big in the Easter Parade, if I concentrate and don't wobble when I walk.

As ever,

POUNDS HAIGHT.

P. S.—What's a foundation?

Today's Radio Programs

Saturday — Washington — Eastern War Time

	WMAL 630	WRC 980	WOL 1260	WINX 1340	WWDC 1450	WTOP 1500
	Today's Prelude, 6:05. News, 6, 7, 8:30. Town Clock, 7:10-7:45 8-9. Wilts, 7:45.	Bill Herson, 6:05, 7:15, 8:15, 8:35. News, 6, 7, 7:55 and 8:30. World Roundup, 8.	Sign On and Music, 5:30. News, 5:45, 6:30, 7, 7:30, 8, 8:30. Art Brown, 6:35-9.	Jerry Strong, 6-7, 7:45-8. News 6, 7, 7:30, 8.	News, 6:30, 7:30, 8:30. Bob Ellis, 6-6:30, 7-73:0, 7:35-8:30. Texas Joy Boys, 8:35-9.	Corn Squeezing Time, 5:45, 6:45. News, 6:45, 7:30 & 8. Godfrey, 7-9:15. Mahoney, 7:40-50.
9 :00	Breakfast Club	Home Is What You Make It	News; Art Brown	News; Music	Music Salon	News, Arthur Godfrey
:15	" "	News; Banghart	Brown at the Organ	Music in the Air	" "	Home Service Daily
:30	" "	Encores	Musical Bouquet	Traffic Court	" "	Garden Gate
:45	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	Junior Board
10 :00	What's Cooking	Grant, Rice, Sports	Royal Arch Gunnison	News; Music Hall	Bing Crosby	Youth on Parade
:15	" "	" "	Jay Caldwell	Music Hall	Good Neighbor Club	" "
:30	Land of the Lost	Frankie Conners	Swap and Shop	" "	" "	Mary Lee Taylor
:45	" " "	Alex Dreier	" "	" "	" "	" "
11 :00	Bud Ward	First Piano Quartet	News, Billy Repaid	News; Symphony	Texas Joy Boys	News; Let's Pretend
:15	" "	" "	Arlington on	Block's	" "	Let's Pretend
:30	" "	Smilin' Ed McConnell	the Air	Violin Concerto	Junior Amateurs	Billie Burke Show
:45	Chatham Shopper	" "	Music for Luncheon	" "	" "	" "
12 :00	News; Evans	News; Improvisations	Hello Mom	News	Dixie Jamboree	Theater of Today
:15	Ear Teasers	Consumer Time	" "	Sinatra Sings	" "	" "
:30	Farm and	America Marches	Bing Crosby	Luncheon Lyrics	All Sports Parade	Stars Over Hollywood
:45	Home Makers	Look to This Day	Red Cross Reporter	Once Upon a Time	Dixie Jamboree	" "
1 :00	Na'l Children's Frolic	Music You Like	News	WINX News	All Sports Parade	Grand Central
:15	" " "	" "	Russ Hodges	Stock Market Reports	Tony Wakeman	Station; News
:30	Little Show	The Baxters	Symphonies for Youth	Musical Bouquets	All Sports Parade	Report to the Nation
:45	News; Evans	War Telescope	" "	" "	Tony Wakeman	" "
2 :00	Metropolitan Opera	These Are Our Men	" " "	News; Judge Rhythm	All Sports Parade	Tommy Dorsey
:15	"La Traviata"	" " "	" "	Judge Rhythm	Tony Wakeman	" "
:30	Licia Albanese	Musicana	George Sterney's	" "	All Sports Parade	Carolina Hayride
:45	Jan Peerce	" "	Orchestra	" "	Tony Wakeman	" "
3 :00	Lawrence Tibbett	National Symphony	News; Russ Hodges	WINX News	All Sports Parade	The Land Is Bright
:15	Thelma Votipka	Orchestra	Russ Hodges	T for Two	Tony Wakeman	" "
:30	" "	(Hans Kindler)	Les Elgart's Orch.	" "	All Sports Parade	Mrs. Roosevelt
:45	" "	" "	" "	" "	Tony Wakeman	Job for Tomorrow
4 :00	" "	Doctor's Look Ahead	News, Charles Hodges	News; Rhythm Range	All Sports Parade	Washington Report
:15	" "	" "	Russ Hodges	Rhythm Range	Tony Wakeman	Overseas Report
:30	" "	Novelette	Music	Jam for Supper	All Sports Parade	Assignment Home
:45	" "	Radio Reporter	" "	" "	Tony Wakeman	" "
5 :00	Little Show	Grand Hotel	News; Russ Hodges	News; Music Hall	Band of the Day	Pergolesi's
:15	" "	" "	Russ Hodges	Music Hall	All Sports Parade	"Salve Regina"
:30	" "	John W. Vandercook	Sat. Jam Sessions	" "	News; Tony Wakeman	" "
:45	Hello Sweetheart	Tin Pan Alley	" "	" "	All Sports Parade	" "
6 :00	News; First Call	News; Leif Eld	News; Music	WINX News	Charlie Barnet's Orch.	Mahoney, Costello
:15	" "	Musicade	Frank Young, Piano	Sunset Serenade	" "	Battle of Bureaus
:30	Martin Agronsky	Dutch Bergman	Alvino Rey's Orch.	Benny Goodman	Ian Ross MacFarlane	" "
:45	Labor, U.S.A.	News, Bennett	Russ Hodges	" "	All Sports Parade	World Today; News
7 :00	Miss Flowers, Inc.	World's Great Novels	Am. Eagle in Britain	WINX News	Crowley's Bible Quiz	Mayor of the Town
:15	Leland Stowe	"Monte Cristo"	" "	Judge W. H. Hastie	" "	" "
:30	Meet Your Navy	"The Saint"	Hawaii Calls	Symphonetta	Fullness of Time	America in the Air
:45	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
8 :00	Early American	Gaslight Gayeties	News, Singiser	News; Short but Sweet	Penny for	Danny Kaye Show
:15	Dance Music	" "	Music for Remembr.	A. F. G. E.	Your Thoughts	" "
:30	Boston Symphony	Truth or	Detroit Symphony	Town Opera House	News; 1450 Club	F. B. I. In Peace
:45	Brahm's	Consequences	" "	" "	1450 Club	and War; News
9 :00	Symphony No. 1	National Barn Dance	" "	News; Symphony	Richard Eaton	Your Hit Parade
:15	" "	" "	" "	D'Indy's	" "	" "
:30	Spot Light Bands	Can You Top This?	Mysterious Traveler	Symphony on a	News; 1450 Club	" "
:45	(Eddie Stone)	" "	" "	French Mt. Air	1450 Club	Saturday Serenade
10 :00	Andy Russell	Judy Canova Show	Chicago Theater	News; Let's Dance	" "	" "
:15	" "	" "	" "	Let's Dance	" "	" "
:30	The Man Called X	Grand Ole' Op'y	" "	" "	News; Rhapsody	Al Pearce Show
:45	" "	" "	" "	" "	For the Girls	J. A. Krug
11 :00	News; Evans	News; Music	News; Jamboree	News; Let's Dance	Hits of the Day	News; Maj. Eliot
:15	Hour of Dreams	Religion in News	Shady Valley	Let's Dance	" "	Arch McDonald's
:30	" " "	I Sustain The Wings	" "	USO Club Dance	News; Hits	Moondial
:45	" " "	" "	" "	" "	Hits of the Day	Jimmy Dorsey's Orch.

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TERRY

A PEASOUPER CLOSING DOWN, MR. EVAN! THIS IS THE WEATHER OUR SUBMARINES HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR!
OUR BEAM'S GOING OUT WITH THE JAP ENGLISH LANGUAGE TRANSMISSION! WHEN OUR SUBS RIDE IT IN, I HOPE THEY FIND PLENTY OF NIP TONNAGE ON THE HOOK ALONG THE COAST-
.....FIRE TWO! NOW! HARD OVER TO STARBOARD... FLANK SPEED! IF THAT'S A TANKER AND WE HIT, WE'LL HAVE PLENTY OF SHARP SILHOUETTES...
MEANWHILE...
I HAVE RETURNED, MASTER...
GOOD! GIVE THE DRAGON LADY A REPORT, HI SHEE... THEN REMIND ME THAT I HAVE A TASK FOR YOU IN RELATION TO TERRY LEE!

MARY WORTH

YOU'RE SO GOOD TO ME, LESLIE! WHY'RE YOU-- SO GOOD TO ME--?
HUSH, LINCOLN! PULL YOURSELF TOGETHER! WE'RE AT THE HOTEL!
MR. WAYNE HAS BEEN--ALL!--I'M SEEING HIM TO HIS ROOM--IF THAT'S QUITE ALL RIGHT?
OF COURSE, MISS WINSOR! SORRY TO SEE HIM--ER--- LIKE THIS!
STOP CLINGING TO ME! --GO UP TO YOUR ROOM AND PUT ON DRY CLOTHING --I'LL BRING YOU DOWN SOME HOT TEA---!
GOOD OL' LESLIE!

MICKEY FINN

WHEW! I'LL SAY IT IS! (COUGH) AND THE WORST I EVER TASTED! (COUGH) (COUGH!)
IS IT LIQUOR, PHIL?
I-I DON'T KNOW NOTHIN' ABOUT IT -I-I'M JUST THE WATCHMAN!
SO, YOU WON'T TALK, EH? PUT THE CUFFS ON HIM MULROONEY!
BRANNIGAN AN' SHANNIGAN YOU'LL STAY HERE ON GUARD! AND MY ORDERS ARE TO ARREST ANYBODY WHO TRIES TO GO IN!
CHECK!
OKAY, MULROONEY! THE COUNTY JAIL!
RIGHT!
SHERIFF FINN

MYRTLE

I'M JUST A FUSSY OLD MAN. I DON'T DESERVE A HOME AND A LOVELY WIFE!
IT'S ALL MY FAULT. I JUMP ALL OVER POOR FREDDIE THE MINUTE HE COMES IN. I'M JUST AN OLD SCOLD!
YOU GET YOUR LESSONS AND GO TO BED. I'M TAKING MOTHER TO A MOVIE!

DIXIE DUGAN

LISTEN
TICK-TICK TICK-TICK TICK-TICK
MR. JUDLEY PROBABLY CARRIES AN ALARM CLOCK--WHAT'S WRONG WITH THAT?
SURE --I'M GOING TO BED--GOOD NIGHT
WAAL--
OH GIVE IT TO ME --I'LL PUT IT IN MY ROOM IF YOU'RE WORRIED
SHUCKS!--I AIN'T AFRAID-- JES INTERESTED --O.K.-TAKE IT IF YA WANT TA--GOOD NIGHT
BUT THOUGHTS AND NOISES DO SORT OF SEEM MAGNIFIED AT NIGHT, DON'T THEY?
TICK-TICK TICK-TICK

DON WINSLOW

SEVERAL HOURS LATER
WHAT DID YOU GIVE HIM, DUKY? HE SLEEPS LIKE A BABY!
ROOK GIVEUM BAD MEDICINE--ME GIVEUM JUNGLE D'LINK--MAKEUM FEEL GOOD!
DUKY, HOW DID YOU KNOW I WAS RED'S FRIEND?
LONG TIME GO I FIND MAJESTY AND ROOK ON BEACH AFTER SHIPWRECK--THEY ALMOS' DEAD--I FIND THIS PITCHER IN MAJESTY PANTS POCKET.
AS RED WOULD SAY--WELL, I'LL BE A MONKEY'S UNCLE!

CHIEF WAHOO and STEVE ROPER

WHILE THE NIGHT SHIFT DEVELOPS MY FILM, WAHOO, WE MIGHT AS WELL CATCH A FEW WINKS HERE!
UGH! WAHOO ALREADY BEEN SNOOZIN' FOR 'LEVENTY MINUTES, STEVE!
I WONDER WHY "MEATLESS" DAYE SICKED HIS GUNSELS ON ME?--DO YOU SUPPOSE HE GOT WISE TO THIS CAMERA?
MM-- B-ZAAW-W!
FRISK THIS STIFF, MANNY! HE CALLED HIMSELF "JOHN SMITH," BUT HE LOOKED LIKE A BIG SHOT!
JEEPS, "MEATLESS!" HIS LOOKS DIDN'T LIE -- IF THIS CARD IS TELLIN' TH' TRUTH!
Cyrus F. Knabb
Central Union Bank

WINNIE WINKLE

YOU HAVEN'T LOST A POUND, DAISY! ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE DIETING?
SURE I AM! I EAT NOTHIN' BUT VEG'TABLES AN' FRUIT JUICES FER ALL MY REG'LAR MEALS!
DO YOU THINK DAISY IS ACTUALLY DIETING?
SHE INSISTS SHE'S ON A STRICT DIET FOR ALL OF HER REGULAR MEALS
THERE'S DAISY NOW -- AND SHE'S GORGING HERSELF!!
THAT'S PROBABLY NOT ONE OF HER REGULAR MEALS!!
Beans 15¢

KING OF THE ROYAL MOUNTED

JILL, TELL US WHAT'S GOING ON IN THIS GHOST TOWN...
--SO WE CAN STOP THEM FROM ADDING MORE NEW GRAVES TO THAT CEMETERY!
BUT IF I TALK THERE WILL BE ANOTHER GRAVE! OH, WHAT'S THE USE? THEY'LL KILL US, ANYWAY! I'LL TELL YOU ALL...
OH, NO, SHE WON'T!

DONALD DUCK

HMM-- 50 FEET LONG!
ISN'T SHE A BEAUTY?
YEP -- HMM-- WELL, 15 FEET WIDE!
I DO HOPE YOU LIKED IT, SIR!
MARINE CO. SHOW ROOM
VERY NICE! I'VE JUST ABOUT DECIDED ON IT!
LIKE THE GUY SAID, SHE'S GONNA BE A BEAUTY!

CRANBERRY BOGGS

KANDY KANE BE TH' LIGHT-HOUSE KEEPER'S DAUGHTER, MISS TONI, AN' 'TIS LITTLE SHE DOESN'T KNOW OF NAVAGATION!
INDEED? HMM--
ER-AH I GOTTA GO NOW--- AWFULLY GLAD I METCHA, MISS TONI!
HOLD ON--- I'LL WALK A PIECE OF THE WAY WITH YOU, KANDY!
I DON'T SUPPOSE THERE IS ANY WAY OF REACHING CENTRAL CITY FROM THIS POINT?
OH SURE! DIRECTLY ACROSS TH' BAY --'BOUT ELEVEN MILES!
♫ SPLENDID-♫
SHALL WE GO?!!

JOE PALOOKA

WILL YOU TELL MISS HOWE THAT CAPTAIN VINE WOULD LIKE TO SEE HER.
SHE LEFT EARLY THIS MORNING FOR THE LINES, CAPTAIN.
SHE WAS TO GO ON A REST TRIP WITH US BUT INSISTED ON STAYING ON.
SHE'S A GREAT GIRL.
--SHE'S HOPING HE'LL SHOW UP AND WANTS TO BE HERE. HE WAS REPORTED MISSING. NOTHING HAS BEEN HEARD FROM THE PLANE HE WAS ON AND--
THANK YOU.
I KNOW ONE LAD WHO'LL SHOW UP AGAIN -- I MEAN YOU, VINE ME LADDIE.

THE SEA HOUND

SUPERMAN

WHATEVER YOU ARE--CAN'T YOU JUST GO AND LEAVE ME ALONE?
BUT WE LIKE YOU!
AND WE LIKE YOUR HOUSE!
MY HOUSE? BUT-- BUT--THIS ISN'T MY HOUSE. IT BELONGS TO A FRIEND -- CLARK KENT! HE'S A REPORTER.
TSK! AND WE WERE JUST BEGINNING TO FEEL AT HOME.
(--A FINE MESS! IF I CHANGE TO CLARK KENT, HOW CAN I STOP THESE INVISIBLE BLABBER-MOUTHS FROM SPREADING MY IDENTITY ALL OVER TOWN? I'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING!--)
AT THE DAILY PLANET OFFICE...
NO, CHIEF. CLARK HASN'T SHOWN UP YET.
I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF THIS. IF HE'S NOT HERE IN ANOTHER HOUR, HE'S FIRED!!

NAPOLEON

SHERIFF, THAT'S A LOT OF MALICIOUS GOSSIP ABOUT NAPOLEON BREAKING TH' VILLAGE LEASH LAW AND BEING SEEN ACROSS TOWN -- NONSENSE -- OLD WIVES TALES.' I HAVE HIM LOCKED UP IN HERE.

Md. Assembly Votes to Plug Tax Loopholes

Annapolis, Md., Feb 16 (AP).—"Contributions to family foundations and feeder corporations and other like associations" no longer would be deductible from income for State tax purposes under a bill which completed General Assembly passage today.

A Legislative Council measure, it was introduced in the Senate by Senate President James J. Lindsay (D., Balto. Co.). The final passage vote in the House of Delegates was unanimous and the measure was made ready for the Governor's signature.

The tax bill was one of four passed by the House at a brief, routine session before hte weekend recess. The Senate passed none.

Another, also a Senate bill, was that which would provide free recording of discharge papers of servicemen by clerks of courts.

25 New House Bills

The House also had the edge on the Senate in number and importance of new measures introduced. Twenty-five came in, including bills which would:

Place a maximum of $1000 on fines levied for unlawful taking of an automobile;

Lower the maximum statutory work week for women in certain jobs from 60 to 48 hours;

Create ranks of detective captain and detective lieutenant in the State Police Department and establish their salaries at $2922.84 and $2657.16 respectively;

Enable the State and political subdivisions "to equalize and secure the benefits of any Federal funds made available to the State of Maryland under the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1944."

O'Conor Signs 28 Bills

The State Roads Commission would be authorized to accept Federal funds made available for the State or political subdivisions and would have power to allocate these funds to the counties, Baltimore City and otheri subdivisions.

In the event the various subdivisions did not provide funds to equalize Federal offerings, "then the State Roads Commission is further authorized and empowered to permit the use" of their respective shares of gasoline taxes and other funds due them for this purpose.

Governor O'Conor, meantime, signed 28 more blils into law, all of them minor.

The Senate received 10 new bills, including one which would permit loans to credit union members on first mortagage lien security up to $1500 at the rate of not more than 6 per cent.

Virginia Masons Name Lanningham As Grand Master

Richmond, Va., Feb. 16 (AP).—Earl C. Lanningham of Pennington Gap has been elected grand master of the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

The announcement was made today, following the 167th annual communication of the Grand Lodge here on Tuesday.

As a result of the elections held and appointments made the full roster of the Grand Lodge officers for 1945 will include:

Deputy grand master, T. Penn Coleman, Norfolk; grand senior warden, Harold R. Stephenson, Palmyra; grand junior warden, Charles E. Webber, Salem; grand treasurer, William S. Tettit, Richmond; deputy grand treasurer, Hardin K. Bache, Richmond; grand secretary, James M. Clift, Richmond; grand associate secretary, Dr. James W. Hillman, Richmond; grand senior deacon, A. Douglas Smith, Richmond; grand junior deacon, S. C. Freeman, Richmond; grand chaplain, the Rev. Harry L. Weston, Ashland; grand marshal, William A. James, Beckley, W. Va.; grand steward, Dr. R. Sumter Griffith, Waynesboro; grand junior steward, T. Y. Houchins, Roanoke; grand pursuivant, James C. Drinkard, Richmond; grand tiler, Walter H. Mann, Richmond, and grand purveyor, Garland W. Baker, Richmond.

Welfare Outlays Heavier in Md.

Baltimore, Feb. 16 (AP).—The State Department of Public Welfare reported today that expenditures for all types of public assistance were 6.7 per cent higher last month than during January, 1944.

The aggregate disbursement increased from $584,229 in the 1944 month to $623,306 this year, with greater expenses in all categories except aid to dependent children. In the aid to dependent children classification, the total spent dropped from $108,497 to $104,948.

Caseloads in all assistance categories except for general relief have dropped steadily during the 13-month period covered by the report.

Mrs. Randle Parole To Be Studied Anew

Annapolis, Md., Feb 16 (AP).—The parole application for pretty Mrs. Helen Aileen Randle, serving five years for manslaughter in the women's prison at Jessups, will be considered for a second time next Wednesday, February 21, State parole and probation authorities said today.

Her case will be among 66 to be heard by F. Murray Benson, State director of parole and probation.

Mrs. Randle was convicted of manslaughter in the fatal shooting of 17-year-old Allen Willey January 30, 1943 in the Randle home at Bay Ridge, near Annapolis. She first applied for a parole last September.

The Federal Diary

By Jerry Kluttz

Treasury Writes Million Checks a Working Day

DIARY NOTES: Government agencies last year, reports the Budget Bureau, wrote 1,530,000,000 letters, the Treasury alone wrote three hundred million checks, or a million each working day, and eighty million vouchers were certified . . . Most of the 70-odd Pentagoners who got food poisining at lunch Wednesday were back on the job yesterday . . . Arthur H. Bunker is expected to resign as chief of staff at the War Production Board. He has had a throat operation and his doctor cautioned him against talking business . . . Bert Fox is reorganizing his Bureau of Program and Statistics at WPB . . . Tom Wilson, who served as special Foreign Economic representative in Cairo, is now in the office of Jack Fleming, acting director of the division of arears . . . Secretary Ickes has asked Congress to raise the salary of R. R. Sayers, director of the Bureau of Mines, from $9000 to $10,000.

KLUTTZ

STORY: This is about a serious-minded and salute-conscious ensign fresh from indoctrination school. It pleased him no end to walk down crowded Washington streets saluting higher-ranking officers and being saluted by the GI's. But one day he gave his very best salute to a lieutenant commander who inadvertently failed to return it. The ensign boiled. He got a good look at the lieutenant commander and resolved to get even. And he got his chance a few days later. The ensign got his name and that night he sat himself down and wrote a letter to the Bureau of Personnel about the salute incident and that it was a violation of Navy rules so-and-so. Soon afterwards the lieutenant commander was transferred out of Washington, and later on the ensign was ordered to sea duty. The ensign boarded his ship on the West Coast and reported to the skipper, the same lieutenant commander who had failed to return his salute. A coincidence?

State Undersecretary Grew and the five new assistant secretaries were given a fill-in on the Yalta conference by James F. Byrnes . . . Maury Maverick, chairman of Smaller War Plants, has come up with the best reason possible why members of Congress should vote themselves pensions. He points out that Federal judges, whose entire cost of retirement is paid by the Government, live an average of 14 years longer than congressmen. Maury also believes that members should raise their salaries to at least $15,000 . . . The executive council of the National Federation of Federal Employes will meet here Monday to throw its strength behind the drive to raise the salaries of Federal workers. The American Federation of Labor Unions with Federal workers also will meet next week on pay raises.

DEFERMENTS: Thanks to Edgar Puryear, chairman of the Government Deferment Committee, for challenging the Selective Service report to Congress which gave the appearance that twice as many Federal workers are deferred compared to a year ago. The story is only technically right and Selective Service officials yesterday joined with Puryear in correcting the "misrepresentation." The Army and Navy have insisted on men under 30 and blanket deferments have been granted to men in essential jobs over that age. Selective Service is on record as telling Federal agencies to file deferment papers for all men over 30 who aren't in nonessential occupations. But despite the order, men over 30 are being called up daily.

While it's technically true that 265,909 men in Government are deferred, the vast majority are over 30 and they would have been deferred in any other organization so long as they held essential jobs. Under 30, only 51,799 are deferred and that figure is broken down in this way: Navy, 34,000; War, 11,000, and scattered throughout the remaining 75 agencies, only 6799 under 30 are deferred. And as Puryear explained, the 45,000 in Navy and Army are engaged mainly in direct war production—building and repairing ships, and making guns and ammunition. Among the 6799 are FBI agents, scientists and engineers, all directly connected with the war. Only about 1500 men under 26 are deferred. Navy again leads with 1100 and the War Department has only 32 of 'em. And it happens that Navy has plans to cut down its deferments. Puryear denounced the Selective Service report as "unfair and distorted" and he insists that the Government's deferment record is far better than that of private industry. And the record tends to prove it.

Construction to Start On Prison Additions

Richmond, Va., Feb. 16 (AP).—Construction of additions at the State Farm for Women in Goochland County is expected to start within the next few weeks, Fred Q. Saunders, State mechanical engineer, announced following the opening of bids here yesterday for the initial unit in the group of five buildings planned at a cost of about $750,000.

Priorities for needed materials have been cleared with the WPB. The buildings will be of brick and convict labor will be used in their construction.

34 Md. Men, 64 Virginians Die in Action

Thirty-four Marylanders, includ-16 Baltimoreans, have been killed in the European area, the War Department announced yesterday. The soldiers are:

First Lieut. Philip N. Buddington, son of Mrs. Arthur Buddington, College Park; Pfc. William S. Burger, son of Duke W. Burger, Cumberland; Pvt. Paul R. Buzzell, grandson of Mrs. Kate S. Morse, Bradshaw; Pfc. Wilhelm A. Hilse, husband of Mrs. Gertrude E. Hilse, Parkton; Pfc. Stephen J. Hornick, son of Stephen J. Hornick, sr., Cumberland; Sergt. Roy C. Keel, husband of Mrs. Margaret Keel, Mount Savage; Pfc. Thomas A. Lanahan, son of Mrs. Eleanor A. Lanahan, Towson; Pfc. Gerald Lyons, brother of Freddie V. Lyons, Cambridge; Staff Sergt. Donald T. McGraw, son of Mrs. Anna W. McGraw, Cumberland.

Also Pvt. John H. McCool, son of Mrs. Levinia McCool, Elkton; Sergt. James B. Moreland, son of Mrs. Catherine T. Moreland, Charlotte Hall; Sergt. Carroll E. Moss, son of Mrs. E. J. Moss, Sharpsburg; Pvt. Raymond J. Nalley, husband of Mrs. Dolores J. Nalley, Mount Rainier; Sergt. George Powell, jr., son of George Powell, sr., Princess Anne; Pfc. Ralph N. Simpson, son of Mrs. Mannie E. Simpson, Parkton; Sergt. Ernest E. Welch, husband of Mrs. Evelyn F. Welch, Cheverly; Pvt. Jacob W. Wingo, husband of Mrs. Elizabeth A. Wingo, Takoma Park; Sergt. Kenneth W. White, son of William H. White, Mount Savage.

The rest were from Baltimore.

64 Virginians Killed

Names of an aditional 64 killed in action were announced yesterday by the War Department. They included the following with northern Virginia kin:

Lieut. Hugh C. Bowers, husband of Mrs. Dolores E. Bowers, 5004 11th st. south, Arlington; Pfc. Willis T. Crouch, husband of Mrs. Eva G. Crouch, Manassas; Staff Sergt. Frederick A. Fines, son of Mrs. Agnes Fines, Route 3, Fredericksburg; Lieut. Robert J. McCray, jr., son of Robert J. McCray, Leesburg; Sergt. Warren C. Ralston, nephew of Lloyd Samples, Monterey; Pvt. Benjamin J. Rinard, son of Mrs. Grace Rinard, Winchester.

Also Second Lieut. Durwood C. Settles, husband of Mrs. Neva B. Settles, Harrisonburg; Pfc. Howard C. Shipp, son of Mrs. Iva B. Shipp, Strasburg; Pvt. Charles R. Titus, husband of Mrs. Marguerite L. Titus, Purcellville; Pfc. Jerome E. Vaughn, son of Mrs. Amie A. Vaught, Front Royal.

W. Va. Senate Votes To Reduce Beer's Alcoholic Content

Charleston, W. Va., Feb. 16 (AP).—The West Virginia Senate passed unanimously and without debate today bills to create a commissioner to administer the State's beer laws and to reduce beer's legal alcoholic content to 3.2 per cent, effective July 1.

The bills now go to the House, which is considering similar legislation.

There is a clause calling for Sunday closing of beer establishments until 1 p. m., which constitutes the main difference with the House bill, which calls for closing all day Sunday.

The content bill merely states that nonintoxicating beer shall be 3.2 per cent instead of 5 as in the present law.

State Senator Sues For Hotel Injuries

Richmond, Va., Feb. 16 (AP).—State Senator Harry C. Stuart, of Elk Garden, filed suit today in Law and Equity Court against the Jefferson Realty Corp., operator of Hotel Jefferson, for $7500 damages alleged to have been suffered in the Hotel Jefferson fire the night of March 10, 1944.

Senator Stuart was in a sixth floor room of the hotel with Senator Aubrey Weaver, of Front Royal, and other members of the General Assembly. Senator Weaver died in the fire, but the others managed to make their way to safety.

Senator Stuart was hospitalized for about two weeks following the fire, and he complained that his respiratory system was permanently injured.

Venue Change Granted In Md. Slaying Case

Princess Anne, Md., Feb. 15 (AP).—A change of venue to Dorchester County has been granted two Negro youths indicted for murder, robbery and assault with intent to kill during an outbreak of violence on Maryland's lower Eastern Shore last January 12.

The order setting February 26 as the trial date at Cambridge for Welton Jones, jr., 18, and his brother Holbrook, 15, of Chance, was signed by Circuit Judge Edmund H. Johnson upon motion of Defense Attorney W. A. C. Hughes of Baltimore.

State's Attorney Harry C. Dahiell of Somerset County did not oppose the motion.

Station Wagon Donated To County Red Cross

Orange, Va., Feb. 16 (Spl.).—A station wagon has been donated by Mr. and Mrs. Lewis N. Clark to the Orange County Chapter, American Red Cross. A tablet will be placed on the station wagon stating that it is dedicated to the memory of the late Mrs. Philip S. Boxley and Mrs. Henry C. Warren for the work they did with the crippled children of the county.

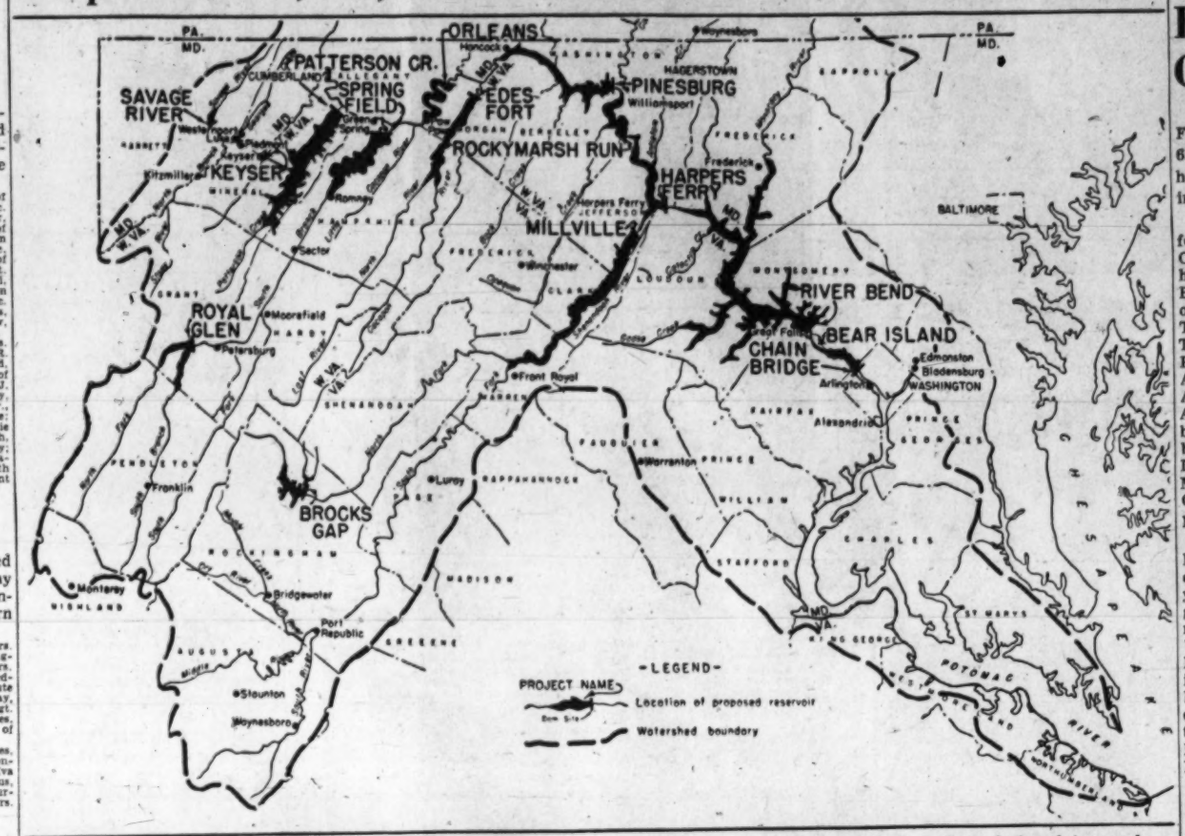
This wagon will be used primarily to transport crippled children to and from nearby clinics. It will also be available for emergency transportation to hospitals and for bringing donors to the blood bank.

Virginian Wounded Third Time in Action

Winchester, Va., Feb. 16 (AP).—Sergt. Russell L. Oates, son of Mrs. Edith Harmon of Frederick County, has been wounded in action for the third time, his mother was advised.

He recently received the Bronze Star Medal for "meritorious action in combat."

Proposed $235,720,000 Potomac Reservoir Chain



RECOMMENDED BY ARMY DISTRICT ENGINEERS—Blacked-in parts of area map show proposed projects designed to supply flood control, power and other advantages to West Virginia, Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia. Army district engineers have recommended the construction of huge dams and reservoirs at a total estimated cost of $235,720,000 over a 20-year period at the close of the war. Scale of above map is about 25 miles to an inch

New 5000-Bed Army Hospital Opened in Va.

Camp Pickett, Va., Feb. 16 (AP).—An undisclosed number of the first patients for Camp Pickett's new 5000-bed convalescent hospital arrived yesterday and formally opened one of the largest institutions of its kind in the nation, Col. Frank B. Lammons, commanding officer of the camp, has announced.

The patients who have improved sufficiently to be released from an Army general hospital will remain here on an average of five weeks and will undergo a gradually increased program of physical and educational re-conditioning designed to speed their return to full strength and full duty.

A large section of the cantonment area of the camp, formerly used for housing troops in training here, has been turned over to the hospital, which will have a complement of 218 officers and 1500 enlisted and civilian personnel. An Army band will be assigned there, along with other facilities for providing recreational and training activities.

Lieut. Col. John D. Brewster, acting executive officer of the convalescent hospital, is temporarily in command.

48 Imported Deer To Be Liberated In Western Md.

Cumberland, Md., Feb. 16 (AP).—A shipment of 48 large Western type deer is expected to reach Allegany, Garrett and Washington counties in the near future in an effort to inject "new blood" into herds in this area, Joseph A. Minke, regional game warden, announced today.

Minke said the shipment will include several does and that the animals will be turned loose soon after arrival. Sixteen deer will be allotted to each of the three counties. The shipment from Wisconsin will be by truck.

Minke said that of 27 coveys of quail his department "spotted" and fed during the intense winter only one succumbed. Hawks and other predatory animals killed quite a few birds, he said.

Md. Sailor Survives 23 Days On Raft; 7 Companions Died

Baltimore, Feb. 16 (AP).—Elliott Gurnee, who said he survived 23 days on a liferaft during which his seven companions went mad and died, declared that he felt he now could "take anything."

"I had often wondered whether I would be able to face death," said the Chester, Pa., seaman attending the Maritime Service Upgrading School in Baltimore. "Now I know I can take anything."

The former Anne Arundel County resident told a Baltimore Evening Sun reporter in an interview that he was boatswain on the West Lashaway when the ship was torpedoed and sunk in about 50 seconds during August, 1942. The vessel was returning from West Africa and was about 500 miles east of the Barbados Islands when it went down.

Were Machine-Gunned

Three of the ship's rafts had been blown off, and the crew jumped into the water and started swimming while being machine-gunned from the submarine.

After swimming around for some time, Gurnee climbed on one of the rafts, on which another man was resting. They later picked up six other survivors.

Gurnee told of a hole in the ration tank, into which water had seeped to spoil the rations, of the water coming up to the men's waist and of its eating the skin from their legs and feet.

Gurnee also related how one by one the others went mad and walked overboard, or died on the raft and had to be pushed into the ocean.

Gunner Goes Mad

On the 15th night Gurnee and a gunner, the only remaining two, sighted the Barbados Islands, but since their signal flares had been thrown into the sea, the current took them past the islands and out of sight. That night the gunner went mad from disappointment.

Gurnee said that about the 16th night he caught and ate a seagull. Water ran out about the 20th day and only occasional rain fell. Three days later the gunner drank salt water, lost consciousness and died later in the day.

That was the same day Gurnee sighted land again. The raft drifted all night and when Gurnee saw that the current would take him away he jumped into the water and started to swim the two miles to shore.

About a half mile from shore, Gurnee saw two native dug-outs, was taken aboard and later to a hospital by the natives. He had landed on St. Vincent's Island, owned by the British, in the Windward group.

Gurnee remained in the hospital for eight days, obtained passage to Spain and from there was flown to the States arriving here on October 27.

Hospital Adheres To Geneva Terms, Replies Col. Cook

Martinsburg, W. Va., Feb. 16 (Spl.).—"Prisoners of war are working in strict compliance with the terms of the Geneva Convention," was the only comment here yesterday by Col. E. L. Cook, commanding officer at the Army's Newton D. Baker General Hospital.

His comment followed a statement from Congressman Jennings Randolph, of this district, in Washington, which said he had asked the War Department to investigate a complaint from patients at the hospital who said German war prisoners working at the hospital were granted special favors.

"They have an established standard workday and are fed and quartered as set forth under articles in the Geneva Convention," the statement from Colonel Cook said.

Randolph was quoted in a news statment from Washington as saying he had received a complaint from wounded men at the hospital who said the patients "are resentful of apparent favors granted the prisoners."

"I received the complaint indirectly and there may be nothing to it," Randolph was quoted as saying. "But I asked the War Department to make an immediate investigation and report its findings."

Theater Aide Reports Kidnap-Robbery

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 16 (AP).—Robert E. Ornoff, who is employed at the Hampton Theater, told police today he was kidnaped here last night by two men who robbed him of about $400 and then released him unharmed at Petersburg.

Detective W. L. Walker and Roxey Curles, who were assigned to investigate, quoted Ornoff as saying he was stopped by the two men before midnight last night while taking the box office receipts to the home of his uncle, owner of the theater. He said he was forced into an automobile and was put out at Petersburg, where he made his first report to the police department.

Credit Group Elects

Winchester, Va., Feb. 16 (AP).—Clifton Price of Clarke County has been elected president of the Shenandoah Production Credit Association, with D. W. Burruss, Shenandoah County, vice president, and Julian A. Everly, of Winchester, secretary-treasurer.

Livestock and Produce

Baltimore Livestock

Baltimore, Feb. 16 (AP) (WFA Office of Distribution)—CATTLE—Receipts, 25; fairly active, few clean-up deals about steady with Thursday; scattered lots cutter and common cows, 8.50@11.00; canners, 6.50@8.00; mostly 7.00 up; top sausage bulls, 13.50; bulk 9.50@13.00.

CALVES—Receipts, 50; nominally steady, unchanged.

HOGS—Receipts, 300; active, steady with Thursday; good and choice 140 to 350 lb. barrows, nominally steady, unchanged.

Richmond Markets

Richmond, Va., Feb. 16 (AP) (USDA)—(Prices represent sales on wholesale market.)

WHITE POTATOES—Receipts light, market strong; 100-lb. sacks, New York and Maine, 3.60@3.90.

LETTUCE—Receipts heavy, market weaker; California, 4 and 5 doz. crates, 4.00@4.50; some poor quality lower.

CABBAGE—Receipts heavy, market weak; 50-lb. sacks, North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida and New York, 1.50@1.75; some poor quality lower.

APPLES—Market dull, various varieties, small and 1¾ in. sizes, no demand; 2¼ to 2½ in., 2.00@2.50; some few higher; 2½ in. up, 2.75@3.50.

EGGS—(Prices paid net to producers, f.o.b. Richmond.) Receipts good, market easy; Federal-State grading stations, whites, browns, U. S. grade A, large, 39@40; U. S. grade B, large, 34@35; U. S. grade B, medium, 30; U. S. grade C, large, 30; pullets, 30; nearby ungraded current receipts, whites and mixed colors, 33@35.

LIVE POULTRY—(Prices paid net to producers, f.o.b. Richmond.) Receipts fair, no young chickens; all poultry very much in demand at OPA ceiling prices; roasters, 28½; broilers and fryers, 29.40; fowl, 25.90; old roosters, 20.

HOGS—Receipts, 1144; market steady with Thursday; 160 to 300 lb. hogs, 14.55; 100 to 120 lbs., 11.70; 120 to 140 lbs., 13.45; 140 to 160 lbs., 13.95; 300 to 330 lbs., 13.85; weights 330 lbs. up, 13.35; good sows under 350 lbs., 12.80; 350 to 500 lbs., 12.30; over 500 lbs. 11.55; good stags, 8.55.

CATTLE—Good steers, 14.50@15.00; medium, 12.00@13.50; common, 8.00@10.00; good dairy type cows, 9.50@10.00; medium, 7.50@8.00; common, 5.50@6.50; shelly kinds lower; good beef type heifers, 13.50@14.00; medium, 8.00@10.00; common, 6.00@7.00; good butcher bulls, 9.50@10.50; medium, 8.00@8.50; light common kinds, 6.00@7.50; choice calves, 16.00@16.50; good, 14.50@15.00; medium, 12.50@13.50; common, 8.00@10.00; good sheep, 5.50@6.00.

Chicago Livestock

Chicago, Feb. 16 (AP) (WFA)—SALABLE HOGS—Receipts, 8000; total 12,000; active to all interests, generally steady; good and choice barrows and gilts, 140 lbs. up, 14.75 ceiling price; lighter weights scarce; good and choice sows, all weights, 14.00; clearance complete.

SALABLE CATTLE—Receipts, 2000; total 2000; salable calves, 500; total 500; despite largest February receipts for week in 25 years, general weekend demand broad excepting on bulls; very little beef in run; mostly cows and medium-grade heifers; top steers 16.00, with nothing choice available; bulk 13.50@14.50; most beef cows, 9.00@12.50; canners and cutters, 7.25@8.50; no strictly good cows or good fed heifers here; most sausage and beef bulls with weights 11.50@13.00; latter price outside on loppy sausage bulls and only outstanding heavy beef bulls selling at and slightly below 14.00; vealers, 15.50 down.

SALABLE SHEEP—Receipts, 3000; total, 3500; no early sales; bidding 2 lower on slaughter lambs at 16.25 down; asking steady or 16.50 on load or so good and choice fed wooled Westerns.

7 Men Fined, 1 Jailed in Tire Black Market

Baltimore, Feb. 16 (AP).—Fines ranging from $100 to $1000 were imposed today upon seven men accused in criminal informations of involvement in a western Maryland black market in automobile tires, and one of the seven also was sentenced to nine months in prison.

The cases of two who pleaded innocent were continued to March 14.

Charges against the men, who were arraigned in Federal Court before Judge W. Calvin Chesnut, were filed after an inquiry last summer by OPA Investigator Arthur Perlman, who said at that time that the tires were bought legally and sold in violation of OPA regulations.

Dealer Is Jailed

Louis Yankelevitz, Cumberland tire dealer, was fined $1000 and sentenced to nine months' imprisonment today after he pleaded guilty to transferring a total of 31 tires to five different men, including a Cumberland banker and a Cumberland physician. He also pleaded guilty to failure to keep proper records.

Perlman said Yankelevitz bought 359 prewar passenger tires from a Johnstown, Pa., firm and sold a number of them in violation of OPA regulations. Harold Fletcher, vice president of the People's Bank of Cumberland, was fined $500 and costs after pleading guilty to a charge of receiving nine new tires from Yankelevitz without tire certificates.

The tire dealer financed his purchases through the bank and Judge Chestnut commented that the banker apparently "used his position to take a benefit from his debtor."

City Notables Involved

Fines also were imposed upon:

Dr. K. Rozum, Cumberland physician, $100, for receiving four tires. Dr. Rozum is a director of the People's Bank.

John Wells Cornish, jr., Frostburg hotel man and son-in-law of a People's Bank official, $250, for receiving 8 tires.

Irvin Lee Morton of Cumberland, $250 for receiving 8 tires.

Ralph Indolfi of Cumberland, who received two tires after complaining about a tire recapping job, $100.

Frank Molinari of Cumberland, $100, for receiving two tires from another source.

During the hearing, Assistant U. S. Attorney Virgil Van Street said the OPA considered itself "practically on trial in this case."

When Judge Chestnut asked for an explanation, OPA Investigator Perlman, who made the investigation, asserted that stories had been circulated in Cumberland that the people involved "were too prominent to be brought into the Federal Court."

Man Seriously Hurt By Bull's Attack

Shepherdstown, W. Va., Feb. 16 (Spl.).—Luther B. Vickers is recovering at his home near here from serious injuries sustained when attacked by a bull on a farm of his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Newton Vickers. Vickers was thrown to the ground by the bull's attack, but he was spared more serious injuries when another man on the place came to his aid.

Washington College Gets Historic Books

Chestertown, Md., Feb. 16 (AP).—Mrs. Lillian D. Hodson of East Orange, N. J., has presented two historical pamphlets to Washington College.

One pamphlet, dated 1830, was a report of the trustees of the University of Maryland. The other booklet, dated 1860, contained a record of a special commissioner appointed by the Governor to seek certain documents concerning Maryland's history, believed to be in Europe.

Lloyd Thomas Rites Held in Clifton Forge

Charlottesville, Va., Feb. 16 (Spl.). Funeral rites for Lloyd B. Thomas, 65, a native of this county, were held this afternoon at his home in Clifton Forge.

Mr. Thomas for 20 years was a foreman in the Chesapeake & Ohio shops, a position he held until his retirement several months ago. Besides his wife, he is survived by one daughter, Miss Myrtle Lee Thomas, and two sons, Sergt. L. E. Thomas of the Virginia State Police, stationed at Norton, and A-C Joseph B. Thomas, U. S. Army Air Force, now stationed at San Antonio, Tex. He also leaves one brother, Harry Thomas of Waynesboro, and three sisters, Mrs. G. K. Dawson of Hinton, W. Va., and Misses Alice and Omar Thomas of Clifton Forge.

Mrs. Nettie V. Lohr

Charlottesville, Va., Feb. 16.—Mrs. Nettie Vivian Lohr, 65, wife of William Lohr, of Orange, died yesterday at the University of Virginia Hospital. Funeral and interment wil take place tomorrow from Walker Chapel, near Woodberry Forest, and interment will follow in the churchyard. Besides her husband, she is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Leona V. Garrett of this city; two sisters, Miss Cora Mahanes of Madison County and Mrs. W. E. White of Woodberry Forest, and two brothers, W. G. and H. W. Mahanes, both of Madison.

Pfc. George R. Owens

Berryville, Va., Feb. 16.—Funeral services were held this afternoon for Pfc. George Robert Owens, who died February 10 in an Army General Hospital in New Mexico. He had been wounded in action in France on June 10. Members of the local company of the Virginia State Guard served as pallbearers. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Owens, and six brothers and sisters.

Mrs. Sallie L. Young

Fredericksburg, Va., Feb. 16.—Funeral services were held for Mrs. Sallie Lewis Young, 83, who for a number of years was postmistress at Edgar, Caroline County. She was the widow of Edgar W. Young. She is survived by a son, Manley Young of Chester.

James R. Whittaker

Fredericksburg, Va., Feb. 16.—Last rites were conducted at the grave in Greenlawn Cemetery, Bowling Green, for James Ryan Whittaker, 75-year-old retired C. & O. R. R. employe, who died at his home at Balty, Caroline County.

Richard L. Spohn

Shepherdstown, W. Va., Feb. 16. Services were held at St. Peter's Lutheran Church here, where he had been organist for 38 years and choir director for almost a decade, for Richard Lelan Spohn, 61, who died in his automobile near his home here late Wednesday of a heart attack. His only immediate survivor is a sister, Miss Elizabeth Spohn, at the home.

Arthur W. Feeser

Silver Run, Md., Feb. 16 (AP).—Arthur W. Feeser, 72, organizer and president of the A. W. Feeser & Co., Inc., of Silver Run, canners and farmers, who died in the Hanover General Hospital, Hanover, Pa., will be buried here tomorrow. Feeser, whose firm also operates plants at Taneytown and Keymar, was former president of the Birnie Trust Co. of Taneytown, Pa., and vice president of the Reindollar Co. of Taneytown.

Mrs. Nancy S. Block

Orange, Va., Feb. 16.—Mrs. Nancy Shackelford Block, wife of the Right Rev. Karl M. Block, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of California, died yesterday at her home in San Francisco. Mrs. Block was a native of Orange, the daughter of the late Judge George Scott Shackelford and Virginia Randolph Shackelford.

Md. Jury Finds Jail Criticism Is Unjustified

Hagerstown, Md. Feb. 16 (AP).—A copy of a grand jury report disagreeing with an unfavorable report made by a Federal prison inspector on Washington County's jail was in the hands of the court today.

The jury declared that conditions as reported by the inspector were "not in accordance with the facts as we found them."

The inspector reported several weeks ago that the jail was "dirty and filthy."

The jury adjourned after inspecting the jail and suggested that a copy of its report be sent to Governor O'Conor.

The report said, "we found the jail exceptionally well kept, clean and in a sanitary condition," and that the inmates said they were treated and fed well.

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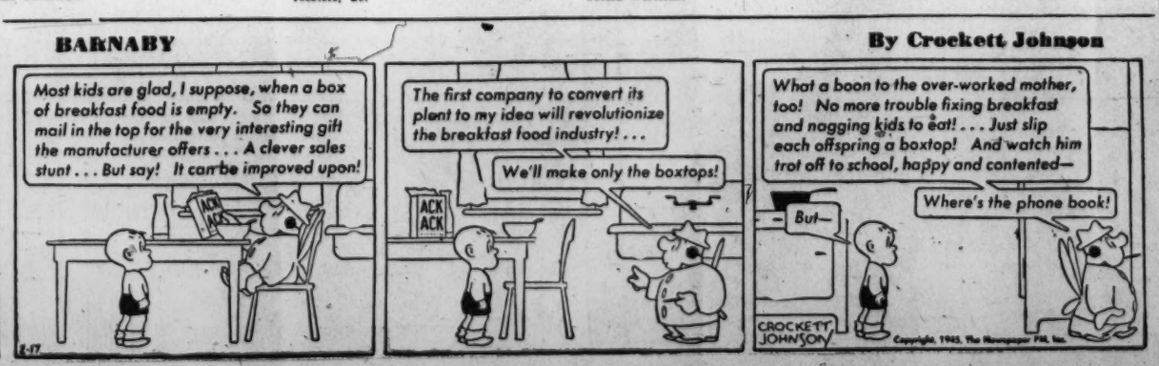
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